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ROHIT, JADEJA HOLD FORT AS ENGLAND TOIL

Hundreds by India captain and all-rounder rescue the team after it was reduced to 33/3 in the first innings of the third Test on Thursday

SENIOR PROS STEP UP

After losing three early wickets for 33 runs, Rohit Sharma scored 131 and Ravindra Jadeja was batting on 110 to take India to 326/5 at stumps

DREAM DEBUT FOR SARFARAZ

After piling runs in Ranji Trophy, an emotional Sarfaraz Khan finally got his India cap on Thursday in front of his dad and wife. He made 62 | P15

Rohit Sharma and Ravindra Jadeja

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BJP had made electoral bonds a medium for bribe and commission. Today a stamp has been put on this

Rahul Gandhi, Congress

SC has delivered a verdict, we respect it. Electoral bonds had laudable objective of bringing transparency

Ravi Shankar Prasad, BJP

It is the most historic judgement that we have got from the SC in 5-7 years. It is a great boon for democracy

S Y Quraishi, former CEC

It is a historic judgment, it's in the interest of a clean democracy. I hope that political parties will learn their lessons

T S Krishnamurthy, ex-CEC

Welcome this unanimous judgment scrapping the electoral bonds that legalise political corruption

Sitaram Yechury, CPM

● ORDERS SBI TO GIVE EC DATA ON BUYERS AND RECIPIENTS ● POLL PANEL TOLD TO UPLOAD INFO ON ITS SITE ● VERDICT WEEKS BEFORE LS POLLS

SC NIXES ELECTORAL BONDS

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
@ New Delhi

Videograb of the five-judge bench headed by Chief Justice of India D Y Chandrachud and comprising justices Sanjiv Khanna, B R Gavai, J B Pardiwala and Manoj Mishra | PTI

IN a landmark judgment, a five-member Constitution bench the Supreme Court on Thursday unanimously struck down the electoral bond scheme notified by the BJP government at the Centre in early 2018, as unconstitutional. The verdict is a moral blow for the government ahead of the general elections.

The bench headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI) D Y Chandrachud gave the State Bank of India, the issuing bank, time till March 6 to share with the Election Commission of India full data on the purchasers of the electoral bonds and their recipients. It went on to instruct the poll body to upload the SBI's information on its official website within a week of receipt of the data — by March 13.

The court also declared the amendments to the Income Tax Act and Section 29C of the Representation of the People Act to facilitate the electoral bonds, null and void. The CJI further said the amendment to the Companies Act that opened the door for blanket corporate political funding was unconstitutional.

"The Union has been unable to establish the measure adopted in clause 7(4)(1) of the electoral scheme is the least restrictive measure (on fundamental rights)," the verdict authored by the CJI for himself as also for justices B R Gavai, J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, said. Justice Sanjay Khanna wrote a separate verdict. He had a different reasoning but arrived at the same conclusion.

"The scheme is not fool-proof. There are sufficient gaps in the scheme which enable political parties to know the particulars of the contributions made to them," Justice Chandrachud said. Information about funding of political parties, he added, is essential for the effective exercise of the choice of voting.

Data shows that 94% of the donations were in the denomination of ₹1 crore. In other words, electoral bonds provide economically powerful contributors access to lawmakers and the ability to influence policy decisions while giving them selective anonymity vis-a-vis the public. The court said information about political funding would enable voters to assess if there is any correlation between policy making and financial contributions.

In an affidavit filed in the SC on March 27, 2019, the EC had informed that it had written to the Centre questioning the changes in several laws relating to political funding, saying it will have serious repercussions on transparency. It had also warned the government that changes in the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 could allow unchecked foreign funding of political parties. "In a situation where electoral bonds were not reported, it cannot be ascertained whether the political party has taken any donation from government companies and foreign sources."

Justice Sanjiv Khanna, in his separate verdict, said retribution, victimisation or retaliation against any donor to a political party is an abuse of law and power. It needs to be corrected but cannot be seen as justification to make the scheme anonymous. "Transparency and not secrecy is the cure and antidote," he said.

It is a historic and bold step in restoring transparency in democracy and reforming the electoral system. Electoral bonds, implemented by the BJP government at the Centre ahead of the 2019 LS polls, were another form of bribery

Siddaramaiah, Karnataka Chief Minister

FARMERS PROTEST

Burning midnight oil to resolve agri unrest

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

THE third round of talks between the Centre and farmer leaders were held in Chandigarh on Thursday night, even as the stand-off between protesters and security personnel continued for the third day on the Punjab-Haryana border. The meeting between three Union ministers—Arjun Munda, Piyush Goyal, and Nityanand Rai—and farmer leaders started three hours later than scheduled.

Sources said the Union ministers were closeted with Punjab CM Bhagwant Mann at a five-star hotel ahead of their meet with the delegation of 14 farmer leaders including Jagjit Singh Dallewal, Sarwan Singh Pandher, and Jarnail Singh.

The meeting between the Central ministers and farmer union leaders was ongoing at press time. Two previous rounds of talks on February 8 and 12 were not successful.

Sources said the Centre has a new proposal, which, if accepted, could offer a resolution to the agitation.

CM Mann and Punjab finance minister Harpal Singh Cheema also joined the negotiation talks at the Mahatma Gandhi State Institute of Public Administration.

The situation at Shambhu and Khanauri on the Punjab-Haryana borders remained calm compared with the past two days. Train services were disrupted at many places in Punjab following the 'rail roko' call by some unions.

In hosp only for routine check up: Gowda

Bengaluru: Former PM and JDS supremo HD Deve Gowda was admitted to the Manipal Hospital here on Thursday morning following complaints of respiratory illness, fever and cough. The hospital said he is stable. "I wish to clarify that I am in the hospital for only routine checks. I will be back home soon. There is no cause for any worry," Gowda stated on X.

Kannada boards: Violators to lose trade licences

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE state government will soon constitute an enforcement wing under the Kannada and Culture Department to ensure 60% Kannada on the name boards of all business and industrial establishments.

The wing will have powers to impose penalties on violators and cancel their trade licences.

The Kannada Language Comprehensive Development Bill was passed in the Legislative Assembly on Thursday. "We are formulating rules and regulations to ensure 60% Kannada on name boards," Kannada and Culture Minister Shivaraj Thangadagi said.

The government will also develop a Kannada vigilance app to file complaints related to violation of rules pertaining to the use of Kannada language. Such complaints will be sent to the committees formed to initiate action. CONTINUED ON: P4

Balancing between welfare schemes & development push

K'TAKA BUDGET 2024-25

DKS: New direction to state's progress

Hubballi: Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar on Thursday said the budget will give a new direction to the progress of the state. It will witness the same determination that the government showed in the implementation of its five guarantees | P4

RAMU PATIL @Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah is set to present his record 15th budget on Friday. Although the five guarantee schemes greatly restrict his manoeuvrability, the CM is likely to make all efforts to strike a fine balance between continuing social welfare schemes and giving a push to development.

The Congress government's flagship programmes implemented in a phased manner after the party returned to power in May last year require a huge chunk of budget allocation.

The budget to be presented just around two months before the Lok Sabha elections is likely to reflect the poll necessities. The CM would take the aspirations of all communities and regions into consideration while presenting his government's plan of action for the next financial year.

In the second budget of his second tenure as the CM, Siddaramaiah faces a big challenge of countering the perception that development has taken a backseat due to a lack of funds and the government is only focusing on the guarantee schemes. His government is accused of not taking up any big project in the last eight months. P4

Woman argues herself, wins case against BBMP

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A 57-year-old Bengaluru-based woman Kavita Podwal has won an eight-year-long legal battle against the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) by arguing on her own after the civic body illegally demolished her house in Doddanekundi in 2016 without following proper procedures.

The Karnataka High Court directed the Executive Engineer of the Public Works Department (PWD) to assess the financial damage caused on account of the demolition and submit a report to the Chief Commissioner of BBMP, who should pay the same to the woman.

Justice Suraj Govindaraj said the demolition of the house was illegal while allowing the petition filed by Podwal. The judge noted that the house was demolished without giving a notice under Section 462 of Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, and without providing an opportunity to the petitioner to avail legal options. P7

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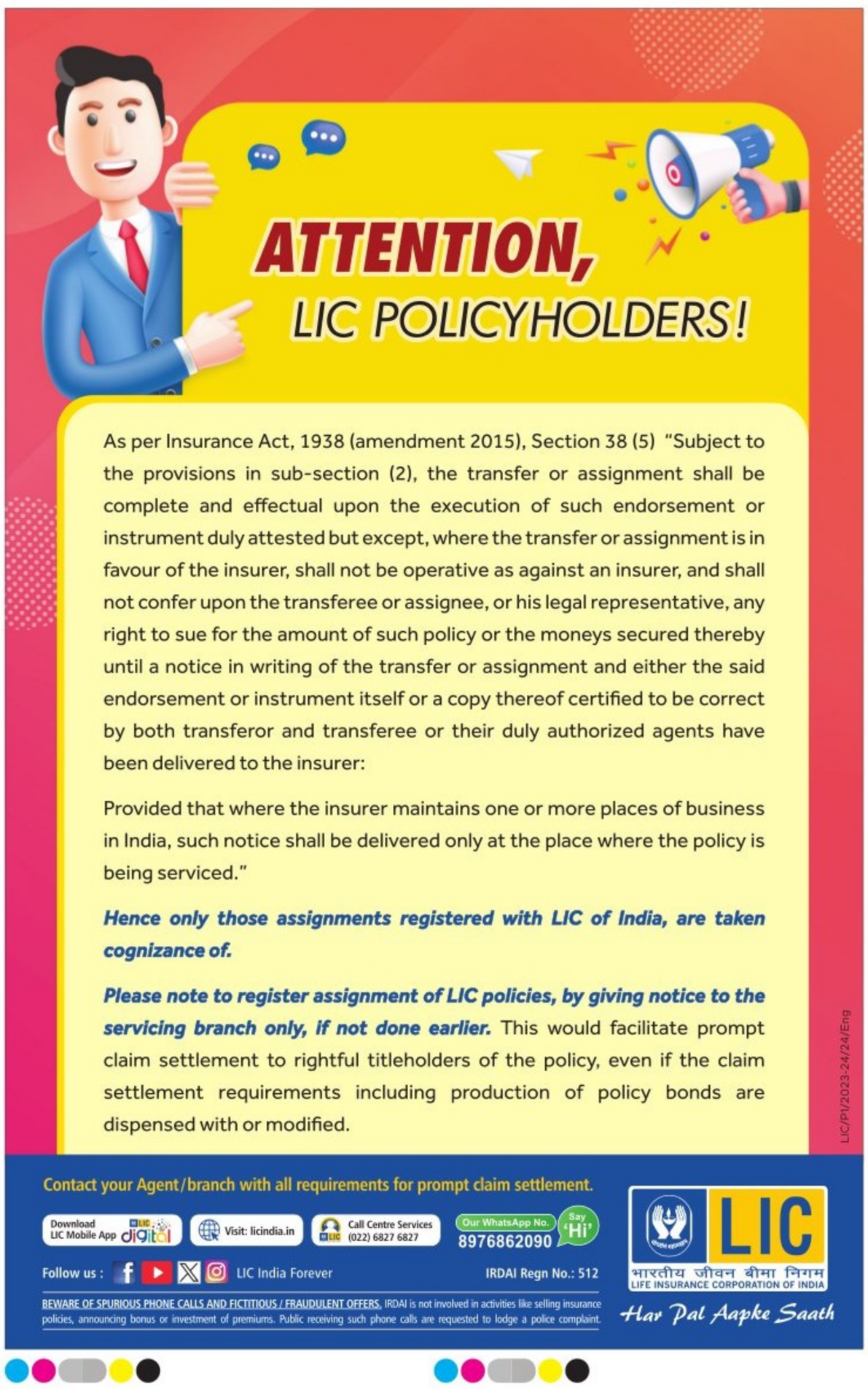
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ACT AGAINST BOWRING INSTITUTE FOR ILLEGAL WORK: PANEL

Special House Committee comes up with several recommendations for governing and taxing clubs

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A Special House Committee headed by MLC Ravi Kumar has recommended that Bowring Institute in Bengaluru be prosecuted for violating the law by carrying out unauthorized construction work, despite housing a heritage building. It said legal action must be taken against clubs which take up construction without the requisite clearances and permissions.

The committee said clubs which have a dress code should remove restrictions on traditional Indian attire. It also said that since clubs have been allocated land by the government at concessional rates, they have to give membership to the jurisdictional members of the Lok Sabha, Assembly and Council.

It said sportspersons who have performed extraordinarily well at national and international levels, and defence personnel who have performed great deeds of bravery, need to be accommodated by clubs.

The committee said Constitution Club should be set up immediately, and with land earmarked for it in Balabrooie Guest House by the government, it should be functional from next year with all facilities. It pointed out that Constitutional Club is to be established for the benefit of sitting and former members of both Houses of Legislature.

Based on a joint land survey of Bangalore Turf Club by the Public Works Department, BBMP and the Turf Club, and a report submitted to the committee, it recommended that BBMP should calculate the tax amount and take steps to recover tax dues immediately.

The panel recommended that Bangalore Turf Club be shifted to Jakkur Aerodrome or Kunigal Stud Farm premises, and the existing Turf Club space be converted into a lung space with greenery.

During a visit last September to Cosmopolitan Club in Jayanagar, Bengaluru, the panel held a meeting with the club president and office-bearers. The president asked the government to take Rs 18 lakh the club receives from commercial outlets. The committee recommended that Bangalore Development Authority take steps to allow 25 per cent of the amount to be utilised for service activities, and give the remaining amount to the government.

The committee said clubs must adopt government schools and hospitals, as they clubs have been allocated land cheaply by the government. It said members spend huge sums of money for membership which middle and upper middle classes cannot afford. Clubs pay only 2 per cent tax, which should be raised to 5-7 per cent.

BBMP warns buyers about Sai Serenity Layout

MOHAMMED YACOOB
@Bengaluru

FOLLOWING complaints of unauthorised constructions and illegal bore-wells at Sai Serenity Layout in KR Puram and alleged threat to officials by some builders and violators, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has put up a public notice in the layout appealing to the public not to buy homes there.

The notice put up by the BBMP

The notice mentions that many unauthorised multi-storeyed residential complexes were constructed without any plan approvals from the BBMP without the required setback areas, parking spaces, drainage systems, sewage treatment plants and rainwater harvesting systems. The BBMP has already sent notices under the BBMP Act 2020to the builders/owners of the high-rise buildings.

The Palike has appealed to those planning to purchase flats in apartment complexes in the locality to thoroughly check the documents.

"Recently some violators entered into a verbal spat with us when we visited for inspection. Flat buyers should check records of the plot before purchasing in the layout coming under KR Pura sub-division, Old Ward No-33, Basavanapura (new No 92)," said a senior engineer. He further added that soon two buildings in the layout will be demolished for a bylaw violation and unauthorised use of 'B' Khata land.

Earlier, *TNIE* reported about unauthorized construction, building bylaw violations, letting sewage into the Yele Mallappa Shetty Lake and also pumping an unauthorized borewell at Sai Serenity Layout.

WINTER'S GRIP

Trees at Cubbon Park that had completely shed leaves during the winter months are waiting for the first spring showers to reclaim their former glory | VINOD KUMAR T

KIA shipped record 29 mn rose stems in Valentine's season

As many as 29 million rose stems were shipped this Valentine's season from the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA), marking a massive increase over the 15.4 rose stems exported last year. The top international destinations were Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, Kuwait, Manila and Sharjah while top domestic destinations were New Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Guwahati, and Jaipur. A release from the airport operator, Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL), said the rose stems weighed 12,22,860 kg in total. ENS

'B'luru plays big role in revenue generation for SA'

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BENGALURU is not just one of the prime revenue generators for Karnataka and India but is also playing a role in revenue generation and employment to South Africa.

Around 50% of the tourists to South Africa are from Bengaluru. Every tourist from India visiting South Africa is helping generate employment for eight people, said Neliswa Nkani, hub head- Middle East, India and Southeast Asia, South African Tourism, on Thursday, as a part of a road show being held in the city.

"Around 43% of the tourists to South Africa are from India, of which 50% are from Bengaluru, including families and young millennials. Of this, 45% are leisure travellers and 46% are incentive travellers. In 2023, 80% of the travellers to South Africa were from Bengaluru. India has the largest incentive travellers and in March. We (South Africa Tourism) will be coming out with special curated tours focusing on the corporate sector, involving Indian trade firms and airlines. We are also in talks with airlines for launching direct airlines from India. Talks are also on to strengthen e-visa. At present since India gives e-visa to people from SA, the same is followed by us," she said.

India's digital economy architecture will be exported to the world: Nobel Laureate

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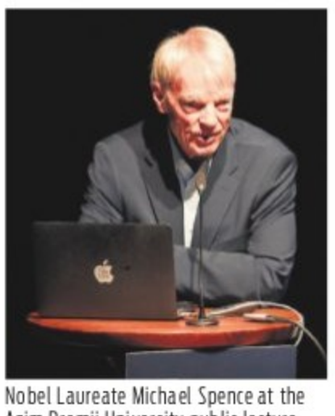
THE Indian economy is not facing short of labour compared to other advanced countries and this is a big advantage, said Nobel Laureate in Economics, Michael Spence, on Thursday. He added that the digital economy architecture that India has built through Aadhaar (biometric identification) and UPI payment system is something that is going to be "exported to the world". India went from the highest data rates to the lowest data rates in the world almost overnight because of Aadhaar, he added.

"When I say exported, I don't mean India is going to build other people's infrastructure. The existing model with the UPI is going to be replicated. China got their first mobile payments before any of us but that architecture was made by two big private entities – the repository of the data, the ability to do the credit, scoring and everything was a threat to banks. Whereas the Indian model takes the institutions and voluntarily allows a level playing field. So I think it's a brilliant achievement," Spence said in a conversation with Anurag Behar, CEO, Azim Premji Foundation, during a public lecture series.

The Noble Laureate spoke on 'Artificial Intelligence in the age of uncertainty' and how AI will shape the future of work, responsible data management and India's potential. Spence was also optimistic that AI will not replace jobs completely in all industries but will automate some tasks that will still need human intervention. Speaking about the threats of AI , he listed three aspects – overcrowding the system with rubbish, misuse of AI in warfare and issues with data.

"There is a lot of flooding in the system which is essentially rubbish, and people have great difficulty understanding and distinguishing from real content. These technologies have enormously powerful uses in national security, warfare, defence, and soon. The first thing we ought to do is have treaties and agree that we will never use a fully autonomous weapon. Then there is data security, privacy, and the responsible use of data," he said.


Nobel Laureate Michael Spence at the Azim Premji University public lecture series in Bengaluru on Thursday

LECTURE AT IIMB

Spence also delivered a lecture at the Indian Institute of Management (IIM-B) on the role of India in the world economy. During the conversation, the relevance of his contributions to Microeconomics for which he received the Nobel Prize was also discussed. He spoke about his book 'Permacrisis', and highlighted that the world economy has gone through a tectonic shift since the pandemic and now faces a permacrisis (multiple crises simultaneously).

EXPRESS READ

One-day BDA mela to sell Kondaspura flats

The Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) will organise a one-day 'mela' from 9 am to 4.30 pm at Kondaspura Residential Complex in Bidare Agrahara on Saturday to sell its flats, said an official release. An official said, "The mela will bring buyers and bankers together so that loans can be facilitated. Allotment letters will be handed over on the spot to those interested in buying them by paying an initial deposit by DD/online," said a BDA official. A total of 462 2BHK flats are up for sale in the 14-storeyed complex. "A 2BHK flat costs Rs 48 lakh. For flats located in the fifth floor and above, the rates will be higher," said another official. On payment of the full amount within 10 days from the allotment date, the house will be registered to the buyer. For more details, visit www.housing.bdabangalore.org or www.bda.karnataka.gov.in ENS

ISRO announces Young Scientist prog

To promote scientific knowledge in the space sector, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) announced the Catch Them Young: Young Scientist Programme-2024 for Class 9 students. Registration will begin on February 20 and end on March 20. The two-week residential programme — YUva VIgyani KAryakram (YUVIKA) — will focus on imparting basic knowledge on emerging trends in space technology, space science and space applications. To register, visit https://jigyasa.iirs.gov.in/yuvika. ENS

The state government and Ramanagara district administration along with departments of social welfare and RDPR held a Constitutional Awareness Jatha for school children in Kabbalu Gram Panchayat limits

Minister unveils FemmeFest logo

Women and Child Development Minister Lakshmi Hebbalkar unveiled the logo of 'FemmeFest - Celebrating and Empowering Her Dreams' on Wednesday. FemmeFest aims at addressing systemic challenges encountered by women, including gender discrimination, limited access to financial and educational resources, societal expectations, violence and workplace obstacles. It is a joint endeavour between Unnati Foundation, an NGO, and Oroboro Apparels, a startup nurtured by NSRCEL IIM Bangalore and FIELD IIM Vishakhapatnam. FemmeFest offers a comprehensive lineup of programmes, comprising seven curated courses. For more information, visit www.femmefest.in ENS

Indian Supercross racing finale in city

The finale of the CEAT Indian Supercross Racing League, India's first franchise-based Supercross league, will place at the APMC ground in Byatarayanapura, opposite Pheonix Mall of Asia, on February 25. Earlier, the event was slated to take place in New Delhi. For more information, visit https://indiansupercrossleague.com ENS

Canara Bank raises Rs 2k cr

Canara Bank has raised Rs 2,000 crore through Basel III-Compliant Additional Tier 1 (AT1) Bonds Series II, at a coupon rate of 8.40% per annum. Against the issue size of Rs 2,000 crore, the bank received bids worth Rs 2,432 crore. The AT1 instrument is perpetual in nature. However, it may be called back after five years or any anniversary date thereafter subject to approval of the RBI. ENS

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

16th February: Today's key sign is Aquarius. I expect many of you have heard that old song, 'This is the Dawning of the Age of Aquarius'. If you haven't, it's all about the coming of a new age of peace and prosperity. It's a nice thought. Perhaps today really will bring its share of good news about the future. I hope so!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
If you're handling complex emotional situations, please be practical, flexible and prepared to alter long-standing arrangements where necessary. Partners will eventually come to appreciate your wisdom and maturity, with welcome results all round.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
You are reluctant to break the habits of a lifetime, but a charming relationship between Venus and Jupiter suggests that pleasing and harmonious conditions will greet those who have done what must be done. Strangely, freedom sometimes comes when you do what you have to.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Ambitious Geminians are now well into a phase which emphasises the role of personal contacts. This means, as the old cliché runs, that who you know is at least as important as what you know, if not more so. Still, if there are people who are prepared to help you, you're fortunate indeed.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You have every right to be hopeful. Wise and intelligent person that you are, you should be the one to offer an olive branch and hold out the hand of friendship. Your financial questions should now have been answered, so if you still don't have the relevant information, get on with it!

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Financial matters are about to grab the headlines, not in any dramatic sense, just in the form of routine affairs that must be dealt with now before they get any worse. Keep up to date with all bills and loans, before you suddenly find that you've let someone down.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Venus' motion today may not have immediate personal consequences. However, within the week you should become aware of new feelings, especially of a romantic nature. You will learn to appreciate qualities in loved ones that once annoyed you.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Please avoid all forms of intrigue and unconventional behaviour. This is a moment to keep your head below the parapet and stay away from risky situations. Peace and quiet are of the essence, for you need to recharge your batteries and restore your morale.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You must be prepared to involve colleagues and associates in your plans. Within an overall context of goodwill and co-operation you should now be able to make the most of your emotional intensity, determination and unparalleled leadership qualities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
As the days pass, you may begin to plan your financial future. Clean up your act - this doesn't mean spending less, but better - and paying more attention to the facts. It's all a question of finding a lifestyle which suits you. Ultimately, though, it is your emotional welfare which counts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
There's a lot on your mind, there's no doubt about that. It looks as if someone is trying hard to pressurise you into making an early decision. However, you may smile and ignore their protestations. You will be on top in all discussions, negotiations and meetings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
An unexpected turn of events may prompt you to alter plans or even change the whole direction of your life. The important consideration from your point of view is to take the initiative rather than wake up and discover that fate has taken your decisions for you.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You are now coming under Venus' glorious rays, surely a sign that your social life and emotional morale are about to improve. You may allow more time for pleasure, gratification and self-indulgence, for all those activities which make life worth living.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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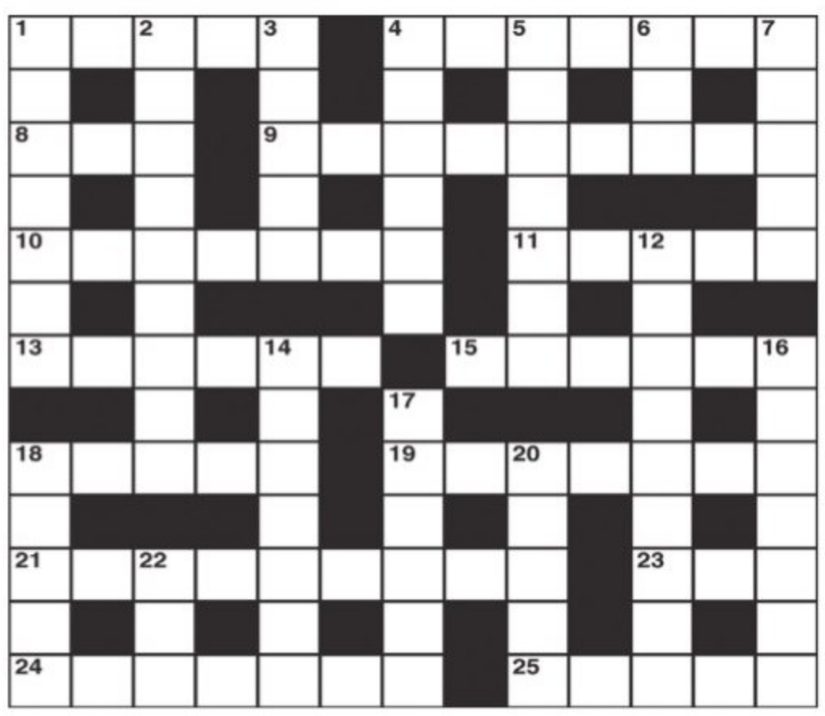

CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Say it's complete (5)
4 Talk about a point raised by a nurseryman (7)
8 One Italian girl's name (3)
9 A road not made for racing? (4,5)
10 A feature of singular weather (7)
11 A North European returned in dismay (5)
13 Show a different Venice (6)
15 Goods thrown out from planes in the morning (6)
18 Dance it takes two to do, they say (5)
19 I lament about disorder (7)
21 A good one gets a lot of backing (9)
23 Jets may use this fuel (3)
24 Tabby is prepared to look after another's young (4-3)
25 Strange direction leading to the lake (5)

DOWN
1 One needs pluck to play it (7)
2 One with a serious part in reading at random (9)
3 Travel round the German capital in the saddle (5)
4 He stole away from the store (6)
5 Desert nation's competition (3,4)
6 Meadow in which cattle are fattened (3)
7 Rustic couple get left behind (5)
12 He's transported by Dad's cooked greens (9)
14 Linen chest that's new. Look inside (7)
16 Miss tea when involved in painting (7)
17 One is supposed to look better for eating it (6)
18 Pulse found in the cooking of broth (5)
20 Be untruthful about for example being loyal (5)
22 It can swell a father's pride (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 False tooth, 8 Not in, 9 Antonio, 10 Genuine, 11 Alarm, 12 Tea bag, 14 Tehran, 17 Rhoda, 19 Amnesia, 21 Setting, 22 Motet, 23 Conversion.

Down: 2 Antenna, 3 Sinai, 4 Trawler, 5 Outrage, 6 Henna, 7 Commandant, 8 Nightdress, 13 Arabian, 15 Risotto, 16 Bangle, 18 Optic, 20 Names.

JUMBLE — UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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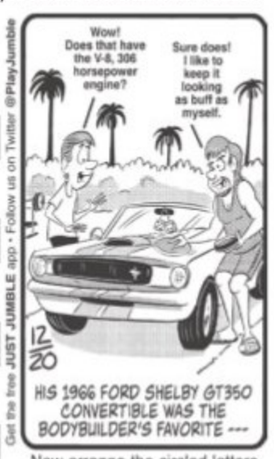
Wow! Does that have the V-8, 306 horsepower engine?
Sure does! I like to keep it looking as buff as myself.
12/20
HIS 1966 FORD SHELBY GT350 CONVERTIBLE WAS THE BODYBUILDER'S FAVORITE ---

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: _____ _____

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: DIGIT EVENT LESSON FORAGE
Answer: They only had to look at one parcel of land because it was — LOVE AT FIRST "SITE"

Shri Siddaramaiah
Honourable Chief Minister

GOVERNMENT AT YOUR DOORSTEP

YOUR APPEAL, OUR SOLUTION

Bangaloreans, the government is coming to your doorstep. Make use of the opportunity to submit an appeal on any issue pertaining to BBMP, BDA, BMRDA, BMTC, BWSSB, BMRCL, Bescom and Guarantee schemes.

February, 2024
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Sunday

10.30 am Onwards

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Venue:

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Bangalore - 560056

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Shri D K Shivakumar
Honourable Deputy Chief Minister

Shri. Siddaramaiah
Hon'ble Chief Minister

TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

Shri. D.K. Shivakumar
Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister

"We all have a right to Clean Air, And we all have a Responsibility to Protect the Environment"

A Pollution-Free Vehicle can Save our Lives

Things to be Done

Sri Ramalinga Reddy, Hon'ble Minister for Transport and Muzrai Department at a programme to create awareness about Pollution-Free Environment.

Use of mass transport such as BMTC, KSRTC, Metro to control air pollution.

Use bicycle for short Distance

Putting emphasis on battery-operated vehicles, LPG/CNG vehicles, and BS6 vehicles

Keeping the vehicles in good condition

Vehicles should be inspected at air pollution testing centers on time and obtaining a Pollution Under Control Certificate is mandatory.

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As enshrined in our Constitution - to safeguard public property and to abjure violence is the fundamental duty of every citizen of India.

Dr. N.V. Prasad I.A.S.
Government Secretary,
Transport Department.

Yogeesh A.M. I.A.S.
Commissioner,
Transport & Road Safety Authority Bengaluru

J. Gnanendra Kumar
Additional Transport Commissioner
(Environment and e-governance)

The Karnataka Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill and Karnataka Souharda Sahakari (Amendment) Bill was tabled on Thursday in the Assembly

GEROSA ROW

2 BJP MLAs, 4 OTHERS BOOKED FOR PROMOTING ENMITY

FIR says leaders provoked students, intimidated school management

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mangaluru

BJP MLAs D Vedavyas Kamath and Bharat Shetty, VHP leader Sharan Pumpwell and three others have been booked for protesting in front of St Gerosa School and accusing its English teacher Sr Prabha of making derogatory remarks against the Hindu religion and its gods in class.

They have been booked under various IPC sections for promoting enmity between different communities, unlawful assembly, hurting religious feelings, criminal intimidation and other charges.

In a complaint filed with Mangaluru South police, Anil Gerald Lobo accused the BJP and VHP leaders of illegally protesting in front of the school, raising 'Jai Sri Ram' slogans, making derogatory statements against Christianity, provoking students to violate the rules of the school and intimidating the school management. They were also accused of making statements with an intention to cause riots between Hindus and Christians, and disturb peace in Dakshina Kannada district.

Meanwhile, BJP and VHP leaders have strongly condemned the police action and demanded immediate withdrawal of cases, failing which they have threatened to intensify protests.

Dakshina Kannada MP Nalin Kumar Kateel alleged that a few years ago, Congress had made students of St Aloysius College protest against renaming of Mulki Sundaram Shetty Road. A Congress MLA had led the protest but no case was registered against him. Now, by lodging an FIR against BJP leaders, the Congress government has resorted to appeasement politics, he alleged.

Further, he said police have not taken action against those who allegedly spoke against Lord Ram. Kateel also demanded withdrawal of the transfer of DDPI Dayananda R Nayak.

VHP Dakshina Kannada district secretary Shivanand Mendon said they will stage a protest and raise 'Jai Sri Ram' slogans in front of all police stations in Mangaluru City Police commissionerate limits on February 19, demanding withdrawal of the case. He said raising 'Jai Sri Ram' slogans outside the school campus is not anti-national activity, and sought to know why police had refused to file a case against the teacher though parents had approached them. He alleged that police was under pressure.

JDS leader HD Kumaraswamy and other legislators during the Assembly session in Vidhana Soudha, in Bengaluru on Thursday | EXPRESS

DDPI'S TRANSFER

Primary and Secondary Education Minister Madhu Bangarappa clarified in the assembly that the transfer of the Mangaluru DDPI has nothing to do with the St Gerosa issue. There was a proposal for the transfer when the incident happened, he maintained.

Ruckus over FIR against BJP MLA

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE issue of police filing an FIR against Mangaluru North BJP MLA Bharath Shetty Y in connection with the controversy at St Gerosa English Higher Primary School, created a ruckus in the assembly on Thursday.

Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara made a statement on the floor of the House that the MLA was not at the spot when protests were held at the school against the teacher, Sr Prabha, who had allegedly made derogatory statements against Hindu deities and Prime Minister Narendra Modi. "I have verified with the police commissioner that the MLA was not there, and further inquiry and action will be taken against the guilty," he said. Thanking Parameshwara, Opposition leaders, including Leader of Opposition R Ashoka, his deputy Sunil Kumar and others insisted that the police sub-inspector who had filed the FIR against Shetty be suspended immediately.

Parameshwara did not accede to their demand, saying he cannot come to a conclusion unless there is further investigation on both sides. The issue took a new turn when he pinpointed the social media post by the MLA, allegedly targeting the Christian community. "Bharath Shetty is a good friend of mine. But his post on social media advises parents of the Hindu community not to send their wards to schools of Christian missionaries as they are averse to the Ram Temple at Ayodhya. What message will this give?" he questioned. This resulted in pandemonium, with ruling and Opposition MLAs trading accusations.

Shetty, raising the issue during zero hour, said he was on his way to Bengaluru at the time. "I have the boarding pass and I was travelling to Bengaluru to attend the assembly proceedings. How can they file a case against me when I was not even there, there is pressure on them," Shetty said.

Claiming that the teacher at St Gerosa School was misleading children, Shetty alleged that she was teaching the children that the Ram statue in Ayodhya is not God, but a stone statue. "After this, parents lodged a complaint at the DDPI office," he said. "No investigation was done or case registered against the teacher who was trying to convert children. But police registered a non-bailable case against me."

Deputy Opposition leader Aravind Bellad said it looks like the government is registering cases against whoever takes the name of Lord Ram.

JDS state president HD Kumaraswamy and senior leader GT Devegowda greet their party's Rajya Sabha candidate D Kupendra Reddy, after he filed his nomination, in Bengaluru on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

RS POLLS

Kupendra Reddy is fifth candidate of BJP-JDS

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
@ Bengaluru

CONGRESS nominees Ajay Maken, Syed Naseer Hussain and G C Chandrashekar on Thursday filed nomination papers for the February 27 Rajya Sabha elections from Karnataka. Meanwhile, Narayana Sa Bhandage filed his papers as a BJP nominee. As the four seats from Karnataka will be vacant, there is a scope for as many candidates to get elected. Two more people have also filed their papers as Independents.

But in a surprise move, the JDS has nominated former Rajya Sabha member D Kupendra Reddy as the fifth candidate with the backing of its alliance partner in the Lok Sabha polls – BJP – resulting in some sensation. But according to political pundits, though the victory of the fifth candidate is scarce, the alliance partners have fielded Reddy apparently to ensure that the surplus votes of BJP get transferred to the JDS candidate which would otherwise end up in cross voting to the Congress candidates. They also want to send out a message that they are closely knit ahead of the General Election.

To achieve this, JDS leaders met former CM and BJP parliamentary board member BS Yediyurappa on Thursday evening to discuss the chances of Reddy's victory.

For victory, each candidate needs a minimum of 45. The Congress has 135 MLAs and claims to have the support of three Independents -Darshan Puttannaiah, Latha Mallikarjun, and Puttaswamy Gowda.

The BJP has 66 MLAs and JDS has 19 and both combined it will be 85. After allotting 45 votes to its candidate, the BJP is likely to transfer a surplus of 21 votes to the JDS candidate. Yet Reddy would get 40 votes and has to look out for five more votes to reach the magic number. He may try to garner the support of Gangavathi MLA Gali Janardhana Reddy besides the cross-voting from 3-4 Congress MLAs and if that happens it proves a disaster for the Congress as one of its three nominees will lose but given the Congress being in the power it is a rarity, observed a political expert. But to be on the safer side, the BJP is likely to allot 45-50 votes to its candidate. "Congress will get 'conscience votes' from JDS and BJP for its candidates. We too have friends (MLAs) across parties," DyCM and KPCC president DK Shivakumar said.

HDK slams govt over poverty reduction claim

ENS @ Bengaluru

JDS state president and former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy on Thursday questioned the Congress-led State Government over its poverty reduction claims. Speaking in the Assembly, Kumaraswamy said that in his address, the Governor had claimed that more than 1.2 crore families came out of BPL category and rose to middle-class status because of the guarantee schemes implemented by the State Government. "If that is the case, then why did more than 20,000 people attend the government's recent Janaspandana event?" the former CM said.

Kumaraswamy claimed that Karnataka has enough money. "The government should ensure that the money reaches the right people and the schemes are implemented more effectively," he added.

Kumaraswamy also rubbished claims made by CM Siddaramaiah on the state getting less funds in terms of tax share, despite being ranked second among the states that collect the highest tax in the country.

"When I was the CM in 2018 with Congress' support, I approached PM Narendra Modi on MGNREGA man-days. It was an NDA government like now at the Centre. Within 15 days, PM Modi permitted to increase the man-days. JDS was not in an alliance with the BJP then... but the Centre replied positively to my demand," Kumaraswamy said.

He also gave the example of road widening projects taken up during his tenure as CM. "Nirmala Seetharaman was the Defence Minister then. Several roads that had to be widened were adjacent to defence lands. I sought help from her. She came to Bengaluru and discussed the matter and we got the required land," he added.

Applications for BPL, APL cards to be issued from April 1

The government will start issuing applications for new APL and BPL cards from April 1, said Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa. He was replying to Congress MLA Nayana Motamma from the Mudigere Assembly segment, where she said several beneficiaries saw their BPL cards getting cancelled. Muniyappa, who assured to verify the matter, said the previous BJP government had 2.95 lakh applications pending. "We are verifying it and cards will be issued. So far, we have issued 57,000 cards," he said.

Chief Minister Siddaramiah speaks during the Council session at Vidhana Soudha, in Bengaluru on Thursday | EXPRESS

Oppn upset over CM's 'goondagiri' remark, seeks apology, walks out

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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah's remarks that they will not tolerate the Opposition's 'goondagiri' sparked a heated exchange between the Ruling and Opposition members in the Legislative Council on Thursday.

Irked by BJP members trying to disrupt his response to a question on the devolution of taxes and the Central grants, Siddaramaiah said they will not tolerate 'goondagiri' by the Opposition members and he will continue to speak the truth. It all started after the BJP took objection to the CM's tirade against the Centre while he was responding to Congress MLC UB Venkatesh's question on tax devolution.

Siddaramaiah said that the people of the state must know the facts on disparity in the devolution of funds. The CM said the state has been treated unfairly in the 15th Finance Commission as the tax share of the state was reduced to 3.6% from 4.71% in the 14th Finance Commission. Funds were not given to the state even after the Finance Commission's recommendation, he claimed.

The BJP and JDS members took objection to the CM's remarks and demanded him to tender an apology for calling the Opposition members 'goondas.' Members from the Opposition and Ruling parties were engaged in a heated exchange and the House was adjourned for a while.

The issue continued even after the House reconvened. Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti announced that he had expunged the CM's remarks and requested the members to cooperate with the House proceedings.

However, Leader of the Opposition in the Council Kota Shrinivas Poojary, Opposition Chief Whip N Ravi Kumar and other BJP and JDS members insisted that the CM's remarks set a bad precedent in the Council and that he must apologise for the same and walked out of the House. Speaking to reporters, Poojary said the CM called opposition members as goondas. For the first time, the CM of the state used such words against Opposition members, he added.

PIC: NAGARAJA GADEKAL

NOW, GET MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE SEAMLESSLY ONLINE

BENGALURU: Revenue Minister Krishna Byregowda on Thursday unveiled a new software through which the public, under the Registration of Hindu Marriages Act of 1955, can get a marriage certificate online, without visiting the sub-registrar's office after submitting the application online and getting it approved by the sub-registrar, after paying the prescribed fee. The idea is to help families avoid making frequent trips to the sub-registrar's office.

Nod to B-khata for homes on revenue sites

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE cabinet on Thursday approved the recommendation of the cabinet sub-committee, headed by Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre, to regularise houses constructed on revenue sites in tier-II cities across the state. It means the beneficiaries will get B-khata for their properties, with a building tax levy.

The cabinet also decided to give certain property tax exemptions to residents of Bengaluru in BBMP jurisdiction, to make the tax system people-friendly. The cabinet sub-committee's recommendation to file a criminal case against builders and take disciplinary action against officials who allow illegal layouts to come up, was also approved. Khandre chaired a sub-committee that examined the pros and cons of adopting the provisions of Section 144(6) and (21) of the BBMP Act, 2020, in the Karnataka Municipal Corporations Act, 1976, and Karnataka Municipal Corporation Act, 1964, in relation to extension to other metropolitan corporations/urban local bodies.

It is estimated that there are more than 54.91 lakh properties under the jurisdiction of urban local bodies in the state, of which more than 34.35 lakh are unauthorised.

The government will also generate revenue by levying building tax. It has been decided to fix house tax such that it does not burden the middle and poor classes who build their houses on revenue land and in unauthorised settlements. The cabinet also approved the inclusion of a Vishwakarma community member compulsorily in the muzrai temple management committee. This decision was taken since the community is recognised for its contribution, from temple construction to the carving of statues.

Approval was also given for setting up development authorities for Chamundeshwari, Ghati Subramanya and Huligemma Devi temples, after passing the bills in legislature. The cabinet deferred approval for the Justice B Veerappa Commission report on irregularities in recruitment to 545 Police Sub-Inspector posts. It felt the cabinet should discuss the report thoroughly as it should be tabled before legislature.

'Enforcing Kannada rules a big challenge'

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TANGADAGI said the Bill was amended not only to make 60% Kannada mandatory on name boards, but also to constitute a state-level committee to frame new rules and regulations in this regard. The committee will form the enforcement wing with officials from various departments, including the police. "Licences of the violators will be cancelled," he said.

Tangadagi said the enforcement of rules regarding the use of Kannada language will be a big challenge in Bengaluru city. If the rules are enforced successfully in Bengaluru, they can be done easily elsewhere in the state," he added.

Eight committees will be formed in Bengaluru to enforce the rules, the minister said.

Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly R Ashoka said the enforcement wing should have powers enjoyed by the traffic police. "MNCs and malls are not bothered about notices, we can make them obey rules and regulations only through penalties," he added.

DKS: Budget will give new direction to state's progress

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DEPUTY Chief Minister DK Shivakumar on Thursday said the budget to be presented on Friday will give new direction to the progress of the state, as it contains various special provisions.

Stating that the Congress government is committed to Karnataka's inclusive development and the welfare of all sections of society, Shivakumar added that the budget would witness the same determination that the government showed in the implementation of its five guarantees promised before last year's Assembly polls.

The budget would announce several provisions to empower common people.

Also, importance would be given to the industrial sector, as well as irrigation projects, Shivakumar said, hitting out at critics who termed the guarantees as "loot", mentioning that the people would give a befitting reply to such leaders soon.

Irrigation, drinking water projects may get large funding

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BENGALURU may have some announcements in terms of infrastructure development. As Bengaluru Development Minister, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar will be keen to push development works in the City. Earlier this week, in the Governor's address to the joint sitting of the state legislature, the government gave a hint of going ahead with the ambitious tunnel road project to ease congestion in the state capital. The DyCM, who has been advocating for the project, had also sought the Centre's assistance during his meeting with Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman.

The Congress will also be trying to make all efforts to contain the BJP's political dominance in the state capital as the latter holds three Lok Sabha seats in Bengaluru, while the Congress' only Lok Sabha member from the state DK Suresh is from Bengaluru Rural Lok Sabha segment.

As the Congress is trying to set a narrative against the BJP ahead of the Lok Sabha polls, the CM may also announce funds for irrigation and drinking water projects, including the much talked about Mekedatu Balancing Reservoir.

While the CM may look beyond the guarantee schemes, mobilizing funds for big projects will be a Herculean task, and the state has also accused the Centre of not doing justice in tax devolution and Central grants.

The Congress had even taken the fight to the national capital to drive home a point that the state that stands second in the country in tax collections, stands in the 10th position in getting its share of tax. In the budget, the CM is expected to throw more light on how the alleged disparity in the devolution of taxes is impacting the state and its ability to take up new works.

Farm sector

While the CM may go for initiatives to take the administration closer to people as that does not require much financial allocation, the farm sector will also be hoping for some relief.

The state government that has announced Rs 2,000 financial assistance for farmers in drought-hit taluks, has accused the Centre of not providing funds under NDRF for drought relief measures.

Siddaramaiah had earlier announced that the size of the 2024-25 budget would be around Rs 3.8 lakh crore, which is around Rs 50,000 crore more compared to his previous budget.

Sources said the chief minister is likely to announce extension of the Bengaluru Metro Rail up to Tumakuru and an integrated township project at Vasantanarasapura near Tumakuru. While other surces said Siddaramaiah may also announce new districts.

A 50-year-old autorickshaw driver died when a KSRTC bus rammed his vehicle on the Bengaluru-Ballari Road on Thursday morning. Around 7.10 am, the bus tried to avoid hitting a two-wheeler coming on the one-way and rammed both the auto and the bike. Auto driver S Selvaraj, a resident of Hebbal, died on the spot and the biker sustained minor injuries

K'taka tops with number of EV charging stations

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

KARNATAKA, which has many feathers in its cap, added one more on Thursday with the Central government announcing that the state tops the table on the number of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations, and that Bangalore Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (Bescom) limits is the largest contributor.

According to a release from the office of Energy Minister KJ George: "As per data from the Central government, Karnataka has 3.31lakh EVs and 5,059 charging stations. Delhi has 2.74lakh EVs and 1,886 charging stations, Uttar Pradesh has 7.45lakh EVs with 583 charging stations, Tamil Nadu has 2.20lakh EVs and 643 charging stations, Kerala has 1.39lakh EVs and 958 charging stations, Maharashtra has 4.15lakh vehicles and 3,079 charging stations and Rajasthan has 2.33lakh vehicles and 500 charging stations."

An official from Bescom, not wanting to be named, said: "Though the number of EVs is low, the number of charging stations is high. All the charging stations that are set up have to be uploaded on the EV Yatra portal that is under the Bureau of Energy Efficiency, managed by the Ministry of Power. It shows that Karnataka has the largest number of charging stations in the country. This list includes the ones installed in corporate firms, apartments, commercial, public and private spaces."

STATE TAKES LEAD

DISTRICTS	CHARGING STATIONS
Bengaluru Urban	4,281
Bengaluru Rural	192
Dakshina Kannada	73
Udupi	38
Tumakuru	38
Dharwad	33
Belagavi	50
Ramanagara	22
Shivamogga	22

PLUG IN ON HIGHWAY

There is also a proposal before the Central government, seeking permission to set up charging stations on highways, at toll gates and in public places along the highway. Places have been identified along stretches coming under National Highways, and have been placed before the Centre for clearance. For stretches under state highways, the proposal is yet to be submitted. 2,880 charging stations have been planned .

STRIPES AND GRILLS

A five-year-old tiger waits in a cage, after it was captured in Chikkanahalli village of Mysuru district on Thursday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS READ

Bengaluru police arrest banned PFI member

Davanagere: The Bengaluru City Police recently arrested a member of the banned PFI, who was hiding in Harihar, as a pharmacist by opening a medical store since past two years. The police arrested Taheer, who is alleged to be directly involved in the DJ Halli-KG Halli riots that took place two years ago. On Friday, the police arrested Taheer who was staying near Harihar Taluk hospital. He was residing in this particular area since past two years.

Couple on the run after killing, robbing woman

Bengaluru: The Madanayakanahalli police are looking for a couple who fled after murdering and robbing a 43-year-old woman and dumping the body in the sump of their rented house in Lakshmipura. The victim, identified as Manjula, a betelnut seller, went missing on February 11. On Tuesday, the body was found in the sump. The police had called the couple Jeevan and his wife Asha for questioning. They stated that the accused strangulated Manjula to death and robbed her gold jewellery.

HC stays single judge's order relaxing ban on liquor sale

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

ACTING on the appeals by the chief electoral officer and the state government, a division bench of the High Court of Karnataka stayed the single judge's order confining the ban on sale, distribution and serving of liquor to the days of voting on February 16 and counting of votes on February 20, in the byelection to the Legislative Council from Bengaluru Teachers' constituency.

Following the high court order, police and excise officials ensured that bars and wine stores across the city downed shutters by 3pm on Thursday. Prohibitory orders will be in force till Friday midnight and from 6am to midnight on February 20. The appellants contended that the impugned interim order resulted in allowing the quarters that be to influence voters by distributing liquor. The petitioners before the single judge cannot be heard saying that the ban on the sale of liquor violated their right to trade and business.

The division bench of Justice K Somashekar and Justice Umesh M Adiga passed the interim order, staying the single judge's order. Observing that the ban on sale, distribution and serving of liquor on days other than polling and counting is excessive, the single judge passed the interim order on Wednesday. This was after hearing a petition filed by the Bruhat Bengaluru Hotels' Association and others questioning the ban.

It was contended in the appeals that Section 135(c) of the Representation of People Act,1951, prevents selling, giving or distributing spiritous, fermented or intoxicating liquor within the polling area during the period of 48 hours ending with the hour fixed for conclusion of the poll for any election in that polling area. The impugned interim order resulted in re-writing of the mandatory statutory provision. The appellants stated that the single judge erred in issuing the order which stated that the ban on sale of liquor on days other than polling and counting of votes will not have any impact or influence on the peaceful, free and fair conduct of elections.

Rowdy sheeter makes extortion call from prison, woman approaches cops

Bengaluru: A 43-year-old woman has approached the police alleging that a rowdy sheeter lodged in Parappana Agrahara Central Prisons is blackmailing her with morphed pictures and videos of her daughter. In her complaint, the woman has alleged that the accused is threatening to forward the pictures and videos to her son-in-law, if she does not give him money. He has also threatened to upload them online. The victim is said to have given him Rs 40,000 earlier. The accused, identified as Manu alias Manoj alias Kencha, is threatening the complainant again to arrange for another Rs 5 lakh. He is alleged to have made a WhatsApp call from the jail to extort money. The Yelahanka New Town police, who have registered a case, are in the process of taking custody of the accused, and have registered the complaint against Manu and his associate Karthik, and others. Manu is jailed in another case, and is alleged to have been blackmailing the complainant since August 2023, and the woman reportedly gave him Rs 40,000. On February 9, the complainant got a call from Karthik who demanded Rs 5 lakh. When she refused to pay, Manu is alleged to have threatened her again, according to the woman.

Assaulted duo from Kerala found to be drug peddlers

PRAVEEN KUMAR @ Bengaluru

TWO persons from Kerala, who were beaten up by a six-member gang near Wipro Gate on Sarjapur Road on Sunday, were found to be drug peddlers.

They were attacked over the sale of MDMA crystals. The gang owed them money. They attacked the duo for asking them to pay their money.

The police, who were tipped off about the attack, found the victims, S Shiju, 25, from Kollam, and Donal Wilson, 27, from Thrissur, to be drug peddlers. They were arrested while trying to sell MDMA crystals near Muthanallur Cross at Varthur.

The police have taken a complaint from them against the gang members. The police suspect that the gang members could also be drug peddlers.

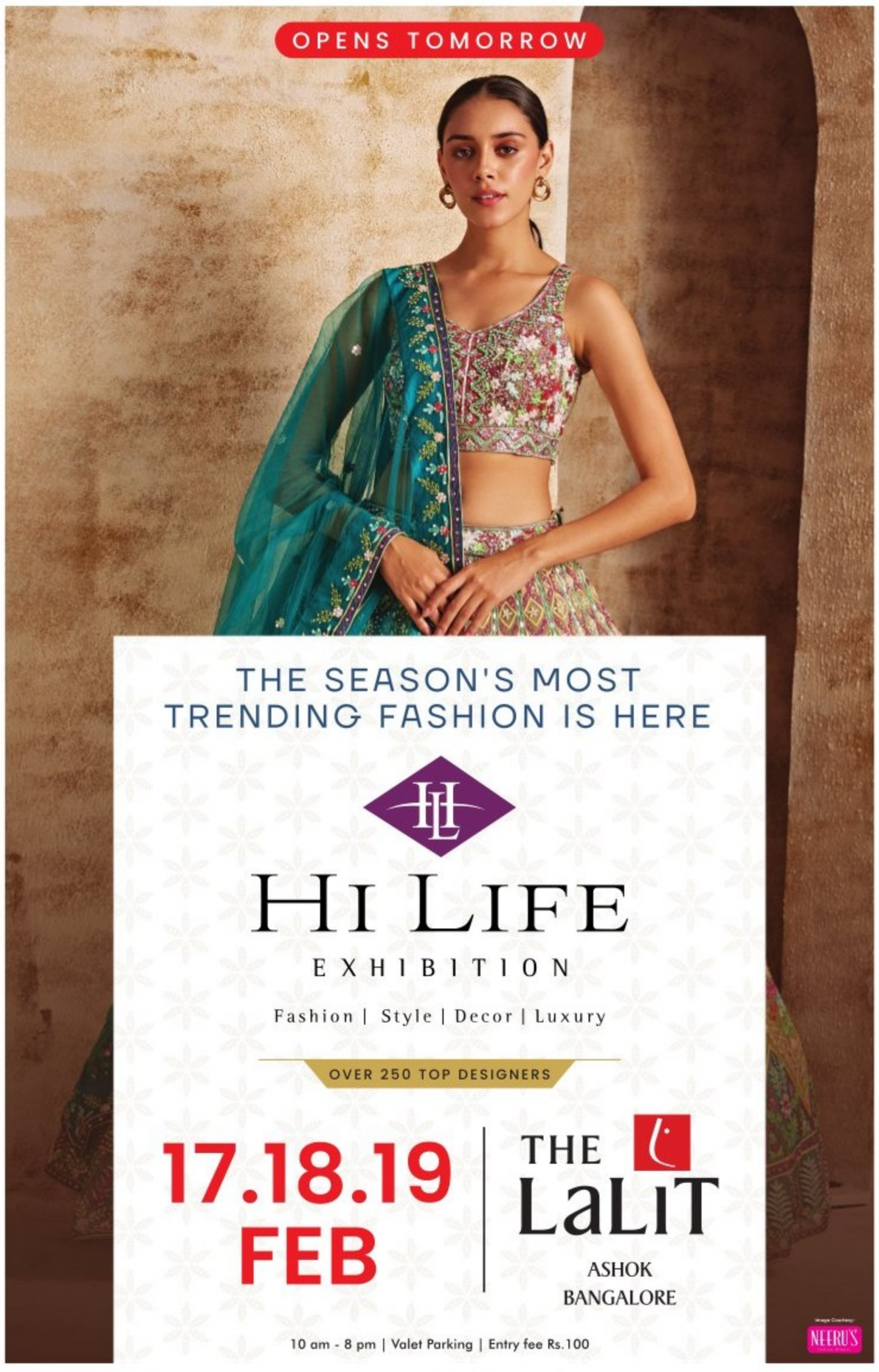
Shiju and Wilson reportedly came to Bengaluru three months ago in search of jobs and rented a house at Varthur. They soon joined a bike taxi aggregator. Unable to make ends meet, they started selling drugs in and around Marathahalli.

During interrogation, Shiju and Wilson revealed that they were attacked by their friend Sanju and five others. Shiju and Wilson, who went to sell drugs near Wipro Gate, saw Sanju there and asked him to pay money for the drugs he had purchased from them. Enraged by this, Sanju and his associates attacked Shiju and Wilson.

"Shiju and Wilson were arrested on a tip-off that they were selling drugs near a hotel at Muthanallur Cross on Sarjapur-Marathahalli road on Sunday evening. After their arrest, the duo reported about the attack on them. We have recovered two grams of MDMA crystals and two mobile phones worth Rs 35,000 from them. A search is on for Sanju and other accused," said a police officer who is part of the investigation.

Shiju and Wilson were arrested on a tip-off that they were selling drugs near a hotel at Muthanallur Cross on Sarjapur-Marathahalli road on Sunday evening

A police officer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Possession Notice (Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the authorised officer of **State Bank of India, RACPC-11, Koramangala, Bengaluru** under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the following borrowers/ mortgagors/ guarantors to repay the loan amount mentioned in their demand notices with further interest at contractual rate together with incidental expenses cost charges etc., within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices. The details of the loan accounts of borrowers/mortgagors/guarantors such as name of the borrowers/mortgagors/guarantors, date of issue of demand notice, Date of publication of demand notice, outstanding as per the demand notice possession taken date, description of secured assets including present loan outstanding etc., are furnished hereunder against the name of each borrowers/mortgagors/guarantos :

A/c No. 42091976119, 42091895934

1) Name of the Borrowers : Sri. Meghavat Anil Naik S/o. Sri. Lalu Naik

Demand Notice date : 16.11.2023

outstanding as per the demand Notice : 1,34,38,059/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty Four Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Fifty Nine Only) as on 08.11.2023 and you are also liable to pay further interest from 09.11.2023 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Possession Taken on : 13.02.2024

Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 1,37,21,667/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty Seven Lakh Twenty One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Seven Only) as on 28.01.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 29.01.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property : PROPERTY NO. 1 : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of residential converted land bearing Sy No.21/2, (Official Memorandum No.ALN/SR/(S)(S)244/2007-08 dated 26.03.2009) measuring 30 guntas, situated at Chikkathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and **bounded on : East by :** Remaining portion of the land bearing Sy No. 21/2 allotted to the shares of Konda Reddy and Keshava Reddy, **West by :** Government Road, **North by :** Remaining portion of the land bearing Sy No.21/2 measuring 10 guntas retained by Smt.Chikka Nanjamma and then land of Venkatesh, **South by :** Land of Govinda Reddy.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : 376.70 sq. feet of undivided share, right, title and interest in the entire Schedule A Property hereby conveyed by the vendor to the purchaser.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : Flat No.117 with BBMP Katha No.21/2, 364/33 in the First Floor of the building known as "LAASYA PRIDE" constructed on the Schedule A Property, having a super built up area of 1013 sq. feet, containing 2.5 Bedrooms, having RCC Roofing, Vitrified Tiles Floors, Flush Doors & UPVC windows and separate Electricity, common water and sanitation, including common area rights and One covered Car Parking Slot No.117 and including all rights, privileges, appurtenances thereto, standing in the name of Sri. Meghavat Anil Naik S/o. Sri. Lalu Naik.

PROPERTY NO. 2 : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of residential converted land bearing Sy No.21/2, (Official Memorandum No.ALN/SR/(S)(S)244/2007-08 dated 26.03.2009) measuring 30 guntas, situated at Chikkathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and **bounded on : East by :** Remaining portion of the land bearing Sy No.21/2 allotted to the shares of Konda Reddy and Keshava Reddy, **West by :** Government Road, **North by :** Remaining portion of the land bearing Sy No.21/2 measuring 10 guntas retained by Smt. Chikka Nanjamma and then land of Venkatesh, **South by :** Land of Govinda Reddy.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : 376.70 sq. feet of undivided share, right, title and interest in the entire Schedule A Property hereby conveyed by the vendor to the purchaser.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : Flat No.317 with BBMP Katha No.21/2, 364/67 in the Third Floor of the building known as "LAASYA PRIDE" constructed on the Schedule A Property, having a super built up area of 1013 sq. feet, containing 2.5 Bedrooms, having RCC Roofing, Vitrified Tiles Floors, Flush Doors & UPVC windows and separate Electricity, common water and sanitation, including common area rights and One covered Car Parking Slot No.317 and including all rights, privileges, appurtenances thereto, standing in the name of Sri.Meghavat Anil Naik S/o. Sri. Lalu Naik.

A/c No. 39754824193

2) Name of the Borrowers : Sri. Bhaskar .K S/o. Sri. Keshava Govindappa

Demand Notice date : 16.11.2023

outstanding as per the demand Notice : 78,95,863/- (Rupees Seventy Eight Lakh Ninety Five Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty Three Only) as on 08.11.2023 and you are also liable to pay further interest from 09.11.2023 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Possession Taken on : 13.02.2024

Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 80,73,155/- (Rupees Eighty Lakh Seventy Three Thousand One Hundred Fifty Five Only) as on 28.01.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 29.01.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Descriptionof the Immovable Property : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing Site Nos.23, 24, 26 & 27, formed in Sy No.5/2 of Yelachenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.185 of Yelachenahalli, Bangalore and all the sites dubbed into one single Khata and bearing BBMP Khata No.498/23, 27/5/2/26, 24/500/592, measuring East to West: 80 feet and North to South: 60+54.6/2 feet, in all 4584 sq. feet and bounded on : East by : Road, West by : Road, North by : Private Property, South by : Private Property.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : 220 sq. feet of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land comprising in Schedule A Property.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : Three Bedrooms Apartment bearing No.E-4, Fourth Floor measuring 1200 sq. feet of super built up area with Vitrified Tiles Flooring, one covered car parking place, proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use part of multistoried residential apartment known as "SRI KRISHNA RESIDENCY" constructed at schedule A property, standing in the name of Sri. Bhaskar K S/o Sri. Keshava Govindappa.

The above named borrower(s)/mortgager(s)/guarantor(s) having failed to repay the entire loan amount as mentioned in their respective demand notices, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/ Mortgagers/guarantors, and the Public in general that, the undersigned being the authorised officer of **State Bank of India, RACPC, Koramangala, Bangalore** has taken possession of the properties described herein above, in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on the above mentioned dates.

The Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors in particular, and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with aforesaid properties and any dealings with anyone of the said properties will be subject to the charge of the **STATE BANK OF INDIA** for related present loan outstanding amount as mentioned against the respective borrowers/ guarantors/ mortgagers name with further interest at contractual rate with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon

The Borrowers'/Mortgagors'/Guarantors' attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 13.02.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer and Chief Manager
State Bank of India, RACPC-11,
Koramangala, Bengaluru.

KSEB KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED - E TENDER EXTENSION NOTICE

O/o the Deputy Chief Engineer, Electrical Circle,Kasaragod

E-tender ID: 2024_KSEB _647585_1
PAC: 8,79,43,156/- Last Date- 22.02.2024 05.00pm
E-tender ID: 2024_KSEB _647983_1
PAC: 13,32,14,500/- Last Date- 22.02.2024 05.00pm
E-tender ID: 2024_KSEB _647603_1
PAC: 5,92,68,735/- Last Date- 22.02.2024 05.00pm
E-tender ID: 2024_KSEB _647389_1
PAC: 15,41,46,939/- Last Date- 22.02.2024 05.00pm
E-tender ID: 2024_KSEB _647859_1
PAC: 12,81,61,634/- Last Date- 22.02.2024 05.00pm
Visit www.etenders.kerala.gov.in and www.kseb.in
Ref : PR/MC1/E469/E-tender/2024

ADITYA BIRLA CAPITAL
PROTECTING INVESTING FINANCING ADVISING

ADITYA BIRLA FINANCE LIMITED

Registered Office : Indian Rayon Compound, Veraval, Gujarat-362266
Branch Office: No.1(78), Star Avenue, 6th Cross, Victoria Layout, Bangalore- 56004

APPENDIX-IV POSSESSION NOTICE [RULE 8 (1) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002]

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized officer of **Aditya Birla Finance Limited** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 30.10.2023 calling upon **M/s. Rentprop4u Mgt Services Private Limited. Mr. Nagaraj M, Mrs. Asha M and Mr. Ravi M** as Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/Mortgagers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being of **Rs. 2,65,41,348.42/- (Rupees Two Crore Sixty-Five Lakh Forty-One Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Eight and Paise Forty-Two Only)** as on **18.10.2023** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till the date of payment/realization.

The borrowers and co-borrower's despite being served with the said notice and having failed to repay the entire notice amount together with further interest and other charges, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **15th day of February , 2024.**

The borrowers and co-borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Aditya Birla Finance Limited for an amount of **Rs. 2,65,41,348.42/- (Rupees Two Crore Sixty-Five Lakh Forty-One Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Eight and Paise Forty-Two Only)** together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till the date of payment/realization.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE MORTGAGE PROPERTIES

"All the piece and parcel of the property bearing: - **Property 1.** Extract of Form B Property register No. 2825/165/116/6/61/44/5-36-5 assigned to Khaneshumari Nos. 165 & 116, Katha No. 61/44/5-36-5, measuring **East to West** 60 feet and **North to South** 60 feet, situated at Kudlu Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, comprising of a building, and bounded on: **East by :** Property belongs to Mr. Nagaraj & Road; **West by :** Property belongs to Mr. Sadashivaiah; **North by :** Property belongs to Mr. Muniyappa & Mr. Nagaraju; **South by :** Property belongs to Mr. Chowdappa. **Property 2.** Site No. 108, Katha No.117, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet, formed in land bearing Sy No.117, situated at Kudlu Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, comprising of a building, and bounded on: East by : Road; West by : Property belongs to Mr. Vasu; North by : Karadamma Temple; South by : Property belongs to Mr. Ashwath.

Date:15.02.2024
Place: Bangalore.
LAN; ABBANLAP000000576449

for Aditya Birla Finance Limited
Authorized Officer
(Mobile: 9686701466)

NYAYAMITRA SAHAKARI BANK NIYAMITA
Admn. Office: High Court Building (New Annexe), Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore-560001.

AUCTION SALE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

Auction Sale under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 of the under mentioned property mortgaged to the Bank for recovery of the Secured Debt of Rs. 9,60,000/- as of 15.02.2024 with interest and other charges there on till the debt is cleared.

Date & Time of Auction	**23.02.2024 at 11.30 A.M.**
Place of Auction	**Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita High Court of Karnataka Building, New Annexe, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore-560 001.**
Reserved Price	**Rs. 52,29,000/-**
Name of the Borrower	**Sri. Muniraju V.**
Name of the Mortgage	**Sri. Muniraju V.**
Name of the property Owner	**Sri. Muniraju V.**

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Site bearing No. 1111-A formed in Sy No. 30/1, in the Karnataka State "D" Group Employees Central Association Layout, Srigandhadhakaval Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Measuring East 40 feet, West 40 feet, North 24 feet, South 22 feet, Total Area 920 Sq. feet together will all rights appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: S W D, North by: Site No. 1112-A, South by: Site No. 1110-A.

TERMS AND CONDITION OF SALE

1. The Bidder should deposit EMD of Rs.10,000/- and obtain the Receipt well before the time of auction and the successful bidder fails to fulfill the condition of auction the EMD shall be forfeited.
2. The successful bidder has to pay 25% of the bid amount (inclusive of EMD) on the same day by way of cash or DD.
3. The successful bidder should bear all the expenses connected with registration/transfer etc.
4. The authorized officer may accept or reject the auction sale without assigning any reason there of.
5. The Bank is in no way responsible for any dues in respect of tax and any other expenses.
6. For inspection and any other information relating to this auction the intending bidders may contact The General Manager, Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita, High Court Building, Bangalore-560 001,Phone No.080 – 22865939/37.
7. The Bank is not responsible for any discrepancy in details of land and building.

Date : 15.02.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita

ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (INDIA) LTD.
Acting in its capacity as Trustee of Arcil-SBPS-I-Trust
Arcil office: The Ruby, 10th floor, 29, Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (West) Mumbai-400 028 Tel: +91 22 66581300, Direct: +91 22 66581312
Branch Address: No.2243, 3rd Floor, Vishishta Arcade, 23rd Cross, BSK 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070 Website: www.arcil.co.in; CIN-U65999MH2002PLC134884

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH ONLINE E-AUCTION IN EXERCISE OF THE POWERS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (SARFAESI ACT) READ WITH RULES 6, 8 & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and to the Borrower (s) / Guarantor (s) / Mortgagor (s), in particular, that the below described immovable property/ies mortgaged/charged to the **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited,** acting in its capacity as Trustee of Arcil-SBPS-I Trust ("ARCIL") (pursuant to the assignment of financial asset by IndusInd Bank to ARCIL vide registered Assignment Agreement dated 29.09.2022), will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", "Whatever there is" and "Without recourse basis"** by way of online e-auction, for recovery of outstanding dues of together with further interest, charges and costs etc., as detailed below in terms of the provisions of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("Act") read with Rules 6, 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("Rules").

Name of the Borrower / Co-Borrower/s/ Guarantor/s/ Mortgager/s	Outstanding amount as per SARFAESI Notice dated 29.05.2018	Possession type and date	Date of Inspection	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) & Last Date for submission of Bid & EMD	Reserve Price	Bid Increment	Date & Time of E-Auction/ web-site for Auction
M/s Vishal Steel Tubes Address: Registered Office at: No.16, 100 ft Road, Ring Road Muneshwara Farm, Panthrapalya, Mysore Road Bangalore - 560026 **(1) Mr. Gulshan Kumar Rawal (2) Mr. Nikhil Rawal (3) Mrs. Sunita Rawal**	**Rs.2,16,71,048.12/-** (Indian Rupees Two Crore Sixteen laks, Seventy One Thousand Forty Eight and Twelve Paisa Only) as on 29.05.2018 along with further interest @13p.a. compounded monthly and penal interest @19% p.a., from 28.11.2023 together with expenses, other cost and charges	**Physical Possession 22.12.2023**	**Will be arranged on request**	**Rs.11,30,000/- (Indian Rupees Eleven laks and Thirty Thousand Only) The Earnest Money has to be deposited by way of RTGS Favouring Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.", Current Account: 02912320000561, HDFC Bank Limited, Branch: Lower Parel, Mumbai, IFSC Code: HDFC0000291**	**Rs. 1,13,00,000/-** (Indian Rupees One Crore and Thirteen Laks Only)	**Rs. 30,000/-** (Indian Rupees Thirty Thousand Only)	**20.03.2024 AT 2:30 P.M**

Link for Tender documents:-	**www.arcil.co.in**
Pending Litigations known to ARCIL:-	**To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, there are no pending litigations on the property**
Encumbrances/Dues known to ARCIL:-	Nil
Description of the Secured Asset being auctioned.	**Schedule A" Property :** All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site No 13, situated in 9th Cross, West Park Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560003 admeasuring 123 x 35 in all 4305 sq.ft with dilapidated house of 300 Sqg.ft and **bounded by: North:** Road, **South :** Private Property East : Private Property, **West :** Road, **Schedule B" Property :** Flat no C. 303 on the Second Floor, consisting of living cum dining room, four bed rooms, kitchen, toilet, balcony and common areas attributable thereto with a super build up area of 1730 Sa.ft along with a car parking in the basement.

Terms and Conditions:

1. The Auction Sale is being conducted through e-auction through the website www.arcil.co.in and as per the Terms and Conditions of the Bid Document, and as per the procedure set out therein. For details in this regard and for inspection of the property, **please contact Mr. Meraj Sayed: (+91 9820485425) (Mumbai) & Mr. Ajay Kumar K B – (+91 9916169235) (Bangalore) of Arcil, Contact Number: Email ID: meraj.sayed@arcil.co.in / ajay.kb@arcil.co.in**
2. The Authorised Officer ("AO")/ ARCIL shall not be held responsible for the internet connectivity, network problems, system crash down, power failure etc.
3. At any stage of the auction, the AO may accept/reject/modify/cancel the bid/offer or post-pone the Auction without assigning any reason thereof and without any prior notice.
4. The successful purchaser/bidder shall bear any statutory dues, taxes, fees payable, applicable GST on the purchase consideration, stamp duty, registration fees, etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the secured asset conveyed/delivered in his/her/its favour as per the applicable law.
5. The intending bidders should make their own independent enquiries/ due diligence regarding encumbrances, title of secured asset and claims/rights/dues affecting the secured assets, including statutory dues, etc., prior to submitting their bid. The auction advertisement does not constitute and will not constitute any commitment or any representation of ARCIL. The Authorized Officer of ARCIL shall not be responsible in any way for any third-party claims/rights/dues.
6. The particulars specified in the auction notice published in the newspaper have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned; however undersigned shall not be responsible / liable for any error, misstatement or omission.
7. The Borrower/ Guarantors/ Mortgagors, who are liable for the said outstanding dues, shall treat this Sale Notice as a notice under Rules 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, about the holding of the above mentioned auction sale.
8. In the event, the auction scheduled hereinabove fails for any reason whatsoever, ARCIL has the right to sell the secured asset by any other methods under the provisions of Rule 8(5) of the Rules and the Act.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 16.02.2024

Sd/-Authorized Officer
Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.

Government of Karnataka
Minor Irrigation and Ground water Development Division, Chitradurga

NO.EE/MI&GWD DIV/CTA/PB1/TENDER NOTIFICATION: 14/ 2023-24 DATE: 13-02-2024

SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION
(TWO COVER) KW-4

Item rate tender in two cover system as per KTPP act-2000 with latest amendments is invited from the eligible contractors registered in KPWD (KW4) for the following work through e-procurement portal.

Name of work:- CONSTRUCTION OF CHECKDAM NEAR BENAKANAHALLI VILLAGE, VENUKALLUGUDDA VILLAGE, MARADIDEVIGERE VILLAGE AND KODIHALLI VILLAGE IN HIRIYUR TALUK ,CHITHRADURGA DISTRICT

Amount put to tender in Lakhs:- 190.24 E.M.D. in Rs.:- 286000.00 Period of completion (including rainy season):- 09 Months including monsoon period. Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-procurement website http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 13-02-2024 Last Date & Time for enquiries about tender 23-02-2024 upto 5.30 P.M., Last Date for submission of Tenders 26-02-2024 upto 4.00 P.M. Opening of Technical bid Date: 27-02-2024 after 4.30 P.M (If possible). Opening of Finanical bid Date 28-02-2024 after 4.30 P.M (If possible). Tenders may be submitted along with EMD and tender fee (Mode of payment should be online only as prescribed in website). Amount mentioned in e-portal is final for the amount put to tender & the E.M.D. Additional Information regarding works may be obtained from the Division Office during office hours & from e-procurement help desk No.080-25501216 & 080-25501227.

DIPR/CTA/KSMCA/ 574/2023-24

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
MI, Chitradurga

IN THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM
(Original Jurisdiction)
In the matter of the Companies Act, 1956
and
IN THE MATTER OF M/s.THOMAS STEAPHEN & CO.LTD.
(IN LIQUIDATION)
C.P. No.53/2000
E-AUCTION NOTICE

In pursuance of the Hon'ble High Court order dated **05.02.2024** passed in Official Liquidator's Report No:115/2024 online competitive bids are hereby invited for sale of immovable properties mentioned below belonging to the above said company in liquidation situated at Manamadurai, Manamadurai Village, Sivagangai District,Tamil Nadu on "AS IS WHERE IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" through e-auction to be conducted by M/s. Railtel Corporation of India Ltd scheduled on **21.03.2024 from 14.00 hours to 17.00 hours.**

Lot Nos.	Description	Upset Price	EMD
I	1.93 acres of land situated at Madurai-Rameswaram Highway in Sy No.55/2 at Manamadurai Village, Tamilnadu	2,17,12,500/-	21,00,000/-
II	1.22 acres of paddy land situated at Sy No.86/2 of Manamadurai Village, Tamilnadu	3,84,300/-	38,000/-
III	34.18 cents of landed property situated at Sy. No.385 and 385/part of Manamadurai Village, Tamilnadu	38,45,250/-	3,80,000/-
IV	2 cents of landed property situated at Sy. No.390/2, Kannar Street,Manamadurai Village at Manamadurai, Tamilnadu.	2,25,000/-	22,000/-

The entire e-auction catalogue ie. "Terms and conditions" of sale containing the schedules for giving full particulars of event of e-auction, guidelines for online registration etc are available on Rail Tel Corporation of India Ltd website: www.railtelindia.com and can be viewed by clicking on the following URL of https://olauction.enivida.com and Ministry's website at www.mca.gov.in. Inspection of the assets can be had at the property premises situated at Manamadurai, Manamadurai Village, Sivagangai District, Tamil Nadu 630 606 on **05.03.2024** between 10 a.m to 4 p.m. The Official Liquidator subject to the orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala reserves the right to accept or reject the highest offer and also put the assets for resale. The EMD as above need to be paid through online mode at least five days before the date of e-auction.

The intending bidders may contact Sri.GaganT.S., Sr.Manager, M/s.Rail Tel Corporation of India, Bengaluru on Mobile No:8448288987/89 & Smt. Sujatha 8448288994/86 for doubts/clarifications, if any, on the e-auction procedure and Sri.P.P.George, Official of the office of the Official Liquidator on **05.03.2024** Mobile No:9447307110 between 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m for details about the properties.

Dated this 14th day of February, 2024

Sd/-, OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR
HIGH COURT OF KERALA, CORPORATE BHAVAN
3rd Floor, B.M.C.Road, Thrikkakara P.O., Kochi - 21, Phone No.2422889(O)

NYAYAMITRA SAHAKARI BANK NIYAMITA
Admn. Office: High Court Building (New Annexe), Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore-560001.

AUCTION SALE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

Auction Sale under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 of the under mentioned property mortgaged to the Bank for recovery of the Secured Debt of Rs. 19,90,000/- as of 15.02.2024 with interest and other charges there on till the debt is cleared.

Date & Time of Auction	**23.02.2024 at 10.30 A.M.**
Place of Auction	**Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita High Court of Karnataka Building, New Annexe, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore-560 001.**
Reserved Price	**Rs. 33,44,000/-**
Name of the Borrower	**Sri. Balasubramanya B.N.**
Name of the Mortgage	**Sri. Balasubramanya B.N.**
Name of the property Owner	**Sri. Balasubramanya B.N.**

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property Measuring Bearing Property Site No. 16, formed out of Assignment No. 21/3, Situated at B T Purushothm Layout Besides Mangalore Jewellary Works, 1st Main Road , Abbigare, f- Bus Stop, Chikkabanavara Bangalore – 560090, Now Comes Under The Administrative and jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 12, Site Measurement East To West 20 feet, North To South 40 feet, In ALL Measuring 800 sq.feet, and Bounded on: East by: Anjanappa Property, West by: 20 feet road, North by: Site No 15, South by: Govt land.

TERMS AND CONDITION OF SALE

1. The Bidder should deposit EMD of Rs.10,000/- and obtain the Receipt well before the time of auction and the successful bidder fails to fulfill the condition of auction the EMD shall be forfeited.
2. The successful bidder has to pay 25% of the bid amount (inclusive of EMD) on the same day by way of cash or DD.
3. The successful bidder should bear all the expenses connected with registration/transfer etc.
4. The authorized officer may accept or reject the auction sale without assigning any reason there of.
5. The Bank is in no way responsible for any dues in respect of tax and any other expenses.
6. For inspection and any other information relating to this auction the intending bidders may contact The General Manager, Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita, High Court Building, Bangalore-560 001,Phone No.080 – 22865939/37.
7. The Bank is not responsible for any discrepancy in details of land and building.

Date : 15.02.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client Mr. **VIDYANATH V MAMIDIPUDI** S/o. Late M. Venkateshwaralu, aged about 69 Years, formerly residing at No.301F, Mittal Towers, Residential Apartments 6/47, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001, now at No.384, South 2nd Main Road, Kapaleeswarar Nagar, Neelankarai, Kacheepuram, Tamil Nadu, is the absolute owner of the khaneshumari No.154/78/748,measuring 5400 Sq. Ft situated in Sy.No. 36, Sompur village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District-562125 (hereinafter referred to as **said Property**). He has lost/misplaced the following Original Documents of the property:

1. Sale deed dated 26.03.1999 executed by Mr.Virendra Kathuria in favour of Mr. M. Vidyanath, registered as Document No. BNG(U)-ANKL/4803/98-99, in the office of the Sub Registrar, Anekal, Bangalore.
2. Form No.12 and Index-1 pertaining to the said property issued by the Secretary, Yamare Gram panchayath, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore.
3. Extract of mutation MR.No.24/98-99, dated 31.12.1998 issued by the Secretary, Yamare Gram panchayath, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore.
4. Endorsement dated 06.04.2004 issued by the Yamare Gram Panchayathi, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore, confirming the measurements of the said property.
5. Original layout plan issued by the President, Yamare Gram Panchayathi, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore.

He has lodged a complaint of loss through E lost-portal. in No.0930165/2024 on 13.02.2024.

Any person(s) finding any or all of the said original documents may please hand over the same to the undersigned. If any person has any claim in the said Property, he/she/they shall intimate the same in writing with supporting documentary evidence to the undersigned within 14 days of the publication of this notice, after which date no claim shall be entertained.

Dr. K. Sreenivasan & Co, Advocates,
No. 303-B Wing, Mittal Tower, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001.
Place: Bangalore Date: 15.02.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my clients intend to purchase the Schedule Property from **MRS. SHALLY M. PETER,** D/o M. P. Peter, W/o Mr. Anthony Pushparajaiah, Residing at No.115/2, New No.30, Shally Villa, 3rd Cros, Near Bible Church, Vijaya Bank Colony, Banaswadi, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560043.

Any person having any objection regarding the said sale transaction, may contact the undersigned advocate with relevant documents within **10 days** from the date of this publication failing which it shall be deemed that there is no objection of any nature and my client will complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential house built on Property bearing New Municipal No.30 at 3rd Cross, Vijaya Bank Colony, Banaswadi, Bangalore having PID No.88-60-30 in Ward No.88-Banaswadi (earlier Site bearing Nos.23 and 24, House List No.247 and 248, formed in converted Sy.No.115/2 vide its conversion order bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR.3285, dated 06-02-1968, issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore), Situated at Horamavu Village, K. R. Puram, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore), totally measuring 2750 Sq.ft., and bounded on as follows:

East by : Private Property,
West by : Private property,
North by : Road,
South by : Road.

Consisting of RCC roofed residential house measuring 161.14 Sq Meter on the on the Stilt Floor, 158.08 Sq Meter on the on the Ground Floor, 155.51 Sq Meter on the on the First Floor, 150.27 Sq Meter on the on the Second Floor and 11.44 Sq Meter on the on the Terrace Floor having verified flooring with all civic amenities.

Sd/- **K.R.Bharadwaj & Associates,**
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SOUTHERN RAILWAY
Palakkad Division
E-Tender Notice No. PGT/OT/04/2024 dated 14.02.2024

For and on behalf of the President of India, the Sr. Divisional Engineer/ Co-ordination/Southern Railway/Palakkad invites E-Tenders for the following works.

Sl. No	Name of work	Approximate Cash value (₹) in lakhs	Bid Security Amount (₹)	Tender closing date 15.00 hrs on
1	Senior Divisional Engineer/West Jurisdiction Provision of 2 Lifts at Ferok station	50.43	1,00,900/-	06/03/2024
2	Senior Divisional Engineer West/ Palakkad section- SW.1-Palakkad division-Assistant Divisional Engineer/Kannur sub division-TFR on points & crossings	32.84	65,700/-	06/03/2024

Completion Period (for Sl.No.1&2) in Months : Six

1. All the contracts on Works/goods/services will be subject to the new GST Act as applicable from time to time.
2. Contractors/Suppliers have to register themselves with GST authorities and to furnish the GST registration number in order to process the bills from 01.7.2017 onwards.
3. For complete details of the above tenders please visit Web site **"http://www.ireps.gov.in"**

Note: It is the responsibility of the Tenderer to check any corrigendum issued for any correction or modifications uploaded subsequently in website; the same shall be taken in to account while submitting Tender.

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ಉಪ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ, ರಾಮನಗರ ವಿಭಾಗ, ರಾಮನಗರ.
ದೂ. : 080–2991 2608, ಇ–ಮೇಲ್ : dcfrmngr@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : ಎ3(ಎ)/ಬಿಯುಡಿ/ರೈಲ್ವೇ ಬ್ಯಾರಿಕೇಡ್/ಸಿಆರ್–41/2023–24
ದಿನಾಂಕ : 12–02–2024

ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ)

ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ 2023–24 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಮನಗರ ವಿಭಾಗದ ಕನಕಪುರ ವಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ **"4406 Capital Outlay on Forestry & Wildlife-01-Forestry-101-Forest Protection, Regeneration & Cultural Operation-0-01-Railway Barricade to Prevent Man-animal Conflict-132-Capital Expenses"** ಯಡಿ ಉಪಯೋಗಿತ ರೈಲ್ವೇಹಳಿ ಬ್ಯಾರಿಕೇಡ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಮಾಡಲು ಅರ್ಹ ಪಿ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ.ಡಿ. ಕ್ಲಾಸ್ – 1, ಕ್ಲಾಸ್ – 2 ಮತ್ತು ಕ್ಲಾಸ್ – 3 ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ಮಾತ್ರ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 27–02–2024 ರ ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 28–02–2024 ರ ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ : 01–03–2024 ರ ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು. ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 27–02–2024 ರಂದು ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾರು ಭಾಗವಹಿಸದೇ ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಎರಡನೇ ಬಾರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಇ–ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮರು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 12–03–2024 ರ ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. (ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕವಾಗಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು ಹೊರಡಿಸುವುದಿಲ್ಲ). ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 13–03–2024 ರ ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್‌ನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ : 15–03–2024 ರ ಅಪರಾಹ್ನ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು. ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳವರು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮತ್ತು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ ಅಗತ್ಯ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

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ರಾಮನಗರ ವಿಭಾಗ, ರಾಮನಗರ.

ಡಿಐಪಿಆರ್/ರಾಮನಗರ/467/ಮೀಡಿಯಾ/2023–24

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POSSESSION NOTICE [RULE 8(1) SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORECEMENT) RULES, 2002]

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of **ORIX Leasing & Financial Services India Limited,** under the Securitization And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred by section 13(12) of the said act read with rule 9 of THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002 issued a notice dated **31.10.2023** calling upon **Krishna Reddy G & Hemavathi** as borrower/ co-borrowers/ mortgagers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **INR 1,21,30,720.32/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty One Lac Thirty Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty and Thirty Two Paise Only)** within 60 days of the receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till the date of payment/realization.

1.The borrowers and co-borrowers despite being served with the said notice and having failed to repay the entire notice amount together with further interest and other charges, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described here in under in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said act read with rule 9 of the said rules on **14th Day Of February 2024.**

2.The borrowers and co-borrowers in particular and public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing in the property would be subject to the charge of notice of **INR 1,21,30,720.32/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty One Lac Thirty Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty and Thirty Two Paise Only)** together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till the date of payment/ realization.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF NORTHERN PORTION OF SITE NO. 2, CARVED OUT OF PROPERTY NO. 102/1, SITUATED AT CHELEKERE VILLAGE, K.R PURAM HOBLI, BANGALORE EAST TALUK, FORMERELY BANGALORE SOUTH TALUK, BBMP WARD NO. 25, BANGALORE-560095, AND MEASURING EAST TO WEST: 60 FEET AND NORTH TO SOUTH: 30 FEET TOTALLY MEASURING AN EXTENT OF 1800 SQ. FEET WITH EXISTING 10 SQUARES AC SHEET ROOFING HOUSING BOUNDED AS FOLLOWING : **NORTH : VENUGOPAL REDDY'S PROPERTY AND SITE NO. 4 ALLOTED THIS, DAY TO MRS. HEMAVATHI A., SOUTH : REMAINING SOUTHERN PORTION OF SITE NO. 2, ALLOTTED THIS, DAY TO MR. SRIDHAR REDDY A., EAST : ROAD, WEST : BY LAND OF MR. CHIKKATHAYAPPA**

Date : 14.02.2024
Place : BANGALORE
Loan Account No : LN0000000012190
& LN0000000018662

Yours Faithfully,
Authorised Officer
ORIX Leasing & Financial Services India Limited

A 23-year-old migrant worker died at a private hospital on Wednesday a few hours after a portion of a sunshade slab fell on him at Vadapalani. The deceased was identified as Sameem Sheik of West Bengal. He was employed for renovation work at a house for the past three months

EXAM HASSLE

Students go through a security check before appearing for the board examination at Kendriya Vidyalaya in Bhubaneshwar on Thursday | DEBADATTA MALLICK

FM: Talks on Kerala loan limit failed

Balagopal: No positive response to issues faced by people of Kerala, will report to SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ T'Puram

THE meeting between the state government delegation led by finance minister KN Balagopal and officials of the central government to find a solution to the issues raised by the state in connection with the central restrictions, in Delhi on Thursday, failed to yield results. Finance Minister KN Balagopal said the discussion with the central government representatives on the dispute over borrowing limit did not yield the desired result. He was speaking to reporters after the meeting in Delhi on Thursday. The meeting was held as per the direction of the Supreme Court which is considering a petition filed by the Kerala Government in this regard. The minister said the central delegation refused to discuss key issues citing that the matter was being considered by the court. The state delegation led by Balagopal has handed over a memorandum to the central team. "The meeting was neither positive nor did it bring forth any result. The only decision taken at the meeting was to hold a secretary-level meeting to sort out the dispute over certain accounts," he said. "They did not require policy decisions but some feasible proposals that would have been sorted out in the meetings. But they did not respond favourably," he said."The centre did not respond positively to the issues faced by the people of Kerala. We will report the development to the SC," he said. Balagopal said he was unaware whether the centre would effect any change in its policies due to the meeting.The secretary level meeting will be held on Friday. It will discuss certain disputes regarding the accounts and calculation of funds based on the GSDP, he added.

Lion mauls man to death in Tirupati zoo

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Tirupati

A 38-year-old man was mauled to death by a lion after he jumped into the lions' enclosure at the Sri Venkateswara Zoological Park in Tirupati here on Thursday. The victim was identified as Prahlad Gujjar (38) from Bansur municipality in Alwar district of Rajasthan. He came alone to the zoo park and it is not yet known, if he entered the enclosure in an inebriated state or if he was mentally disturbed.

"This is the first such incident reported in the SV zoological park," said zoo curator Selvam. Zoo authorities said that, around 4 pm the zoo keeper found Prahlad loitering around the lions' enclosure. When Prahlad tried to scale over the wall, he was warned by the keeper who was just 200 metres away from the victim. Ignoring the warning, Prahlad scaled over the six-feet wall and jumped into the enclosure.

Prahlad was attacked by one of the male lions, named Dungarpur, who held him by the neck and tore his clothes within 10 minutes of entering the enclosure. Despite attempts to escape by climbing a tree, Gujjar was dragged by the lion for approximately 100 metres before the keeper intervened and chased the lion into its cage.

The zoo houses three lions originally from Dungarpur in Gujarat. While two lions are kept caged throughout the day, one is released daily for public viewing.

Once denied entry, Dalits now served sweets in hotels

AMIT S UPADHYE @Koppal

IN a welcome move, villagers got together to offer Dalit youth sweets and also went to a temple with them, following the Koppal district administration's intervention after an untouchability incident.

The matter was reported in Halavarthy village of Koppal where Dalit youth were allegedly denied haircuts at a local saloon. A hotel owner had also allegedly refused to give breakfast to a group of Dalit youth from the village. Following the reported incident a week ago, Dalit families staged a protest in front of the gram panchayat office. The administration had to send a team of senior officials and a peace meeting was conducted on Thursday. Accordingly, the villagers have taken an oath in front of senior administrative officials promising not to practice untouchability in the village. After the meeting, the Dalit youth were offered sweets and snacks in the same hotel where they were denied entry a few days ago. "There have been a few cases of untouchability in rural parts of Koppal. Whenever such incidents are reported, the district administration conducts peace meetings before proceeding with any police action. In the case of Halavarthy village, both the hotel owner and saloon owner have been booked under relevant IPC sections and have been arrested," said a senior official.

Naxalite Srimathi brought to Kabbinale for spot mahazar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Udupi

IN relation to the killing of Sadashiva Gowda near Kabbinale in December 2011, the Karkala police who got body warrant to question naxal Srimathi alias Unnimaya and brought her to Kabbinale for spot mahazar.

Srimathi from Belagodukodige of Sringeri taluk along with another naxal Chandru from Tamil Nadu were arrested by police in Wayanad, Kerala after the gunfight had erupted between Naxals and the police on November 7, 2023. Srimathi raised slogan in favour of Maoism when she was being taken to the court in Karkala on Thursday.

Naxalite Srimathi alias Unnimaya being produced before Karkala court by the police on Thursday | EXPRESS

The 33-year-old Naxal was in judicial custody in Kerala. On February 13 night, she was brought to Karkala amid tight security. She was produced before the court in Karkala on February 14. The Karkala court had remanded her to police custody till February 17.

Sadashiva Gowda, a bamboo basket weaver of Thingalamakki, had gone missing on December 19, 2011 and his body was found on December 28, 2011. Gowda was targeted as he was suspected as a police informer. There was a poster beside his body which read 'right punishment will be given to police informers - Maoist'. The 50-year-old's body was found under a tree in a sitting position and his hands were tied to the trunk.

It was suspected by the police that Gowda was kidnapped and killed by a Naxal group involving Srimathi. There are more than 15 cases against Srimathi.

Zimbabwean held for assaulting CISF personnel at T1

Bengaluru: A Zimbabwean man was arrested on Wednesday after he assaulted a woman CISF personnel in Terminal 1 in the Pre-Embarkation Security Area. According to the FIR, Rukudzo Chirikumarara had arrived by 11.30 pm on Tuesday for his flight from Bengaluru to New Delhi. A CISF source said, "The woman officer was scanning at one of the XBIS Machine (C-1) scanners. She told him that his bag was too big to pass through the scanner and he had to go one floor below and get it scanned there." The flyer irked and hit her. He then crossed the scanning area and took his bag along with him and went to the Security Hold Area

EXPRESS READ

Woman found murdered at her residence

Guntur: A 32-year-old woman was found murdered at her residence in Tenali town on Thursday. The deceased was identified as R Alekhya from Bhavanam Street. According to police, the deceased's husband R Ramesh found Alekhya dead in her room. In the investigation, the police identified that an unidentified person allegedly barged into her room during the wee hours and slit her throat. According to sources, Ramesh alleged that A Srinivas has been threatening Alekhya.

Boy kills self after parents scold him

Warangal: A 14-year-old Class 8 student, M Satwik, killed himself by hanging from a ceiling fan at his residence in Kashibugga, on Thursday morning. Sources said that Satwik took the extreme step after his parents scolded him because he told them that he wanted to drop out of the private school he was studying in. His father, M Nagaraju, is employed at a saloon shop, while his mother, Lakshmi, works as a domestic worker.

Woman held for submitting fake documents

Chennai: A 40-year-old woman was arrested for allegedly submitting fake medical degree certificates at the Tamil Nadu Medical Council office in Arumbakkam. Inquiries revealed that the woman did not study medicine, but tried to get registered with the council using these fake certificates. After an inquiry, she was remanded in judicial custody on Thursday. Arumbakkam police identified the woman as Ayesha Tanveer of Telangana.

Errant BBMP officers liable for loss, says HC

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APART from paying for the damages after the assessment by the PWD Chief Engineer, the court has directed the BBMP to pay Rs 5 lakh compensation to the petitioner towards mental trauma and Rs 10lakh compensation towards damage caused to the movable items. This amount has to be recovered from the errant officials after the inquiry by the Chief Commissioner, the court ordered.

The court also directed the BBMP chief to pay the petitioner Rs 10,000 per month from the date of demolition of the house on April 25, 2016, till the premises of the petitioner are restored for human habitation.

The court directed the Principal Secretary of Urban Development Department to institute an inquiry into how the Executive Engineer, Assistant Executive Engineer, Assistant Engineer of ward no. 85 (Doddenakundi) and Deputy Director of Town Planning, BBMP demolished the house illegally at the behest of a complaint filed by one Saghir Ahmed of Frazer Town, who had allegedly tried to usurp the property, and take necessary action against them as per law.

The court said the errant BBMP officers are liable for the loss including the personal belongings which were damaged, as she (the petitioner) was not given time to take them.

The court also directed the Chief Commissioner to issue general directions to be followed by officers dealing with such cases.

The BBMP claimed that a notice was issued to the petitioner in 2013. But the court observed that it was not properly issued and served, and said that the basic principles of natural justice were not followed in such a serious matter.

Had called electoral bonds opaque during launch: GOP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Congress on Thursday welcomed the Supreme Court judgment striking down the electoral bonds scheme. The Grand Old Party "hoped that the Union Government will stop resorting to mischievous ideas in future".

Taking to 'X', AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge said, "On the day of the launching of the Electoral Bonds scheme, the Congress had called it opaque and undemocratic. Subsequently, in its 2019 manifesto, the Congress promised to scrap Modi govt's dubious scheme."

Welcoming the SC verdict, Kharge said, "We welcome the decision of the Supreme Court today, which has struck down this 'Black Money Conversion' scheme of the Modi govt, calling it 'unconstitutional'. We remember how the Modi govt, PMO, and FM bulldozed every institution - RBI, Election Commission, Parliament, and Opposition to fill BJP's coffers. No wonder, 95% of the funding under this scheme was received by BJP"

State JDS chief and former CM HD Kumaraswamy said that there is a need for transparency. "We need more transparency and many have spoken about it and have got little or no change... things have gotten worse. We all know that objectivity is needed. Everyone knows it and changes need to be taken up in a big way and people need to think about it."

Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, director, Venkatesh Nayak told TNIE that everyone wants greater transparency. "The smaller parties have not benefited because of this opaque funding and they have lost out because of this opaque funding. The funding pattern shows that obviously, this was a scheme that was meant to help the high-net-worth individuals and corporates donating surreptitiously and claiming 100% tax exemption," Nayak said.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to public at large that the undersigned Advocates are investigating the title and ownership rights of Golf Views Homes Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, having its registered office at 9th floor, Tower B, Daimond District, Old Airport Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India, 560 017 ("**Owner**") in respect of the properties described in the Schedule below ("**Schedule Properties**"). The Owner has represented to our client that it is the absolute owner of the Schedule Properties and it has entered into joint development agreement with Bluebonnet Builders and Developers Private Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act, 1956, having its registered office at Imagine No.78 ITPL Main Road, EPIP Zone Whitefield, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India, 560 066 ("**Developer**"), to develop the Schedule Properties into a residential villa.

Public is notified that any person/s having any form of right, title, claim or interest in the Schedule Properties or any objection/s of any manner whatsoever therein are hereby called upon to notify the undersigned with supporting documents within **15 (Fifteen)** days from the date of this notice. If no such claim is received, it would be deemed that no persons other than as specified below have any right, title, interest, charge or claim with regard to the Schedule Properties and claim/s if any, will be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of the immoveable property described herein below are situated at Kodagarahalli Village, Sunticoppa Hobli, Kushalnagar Taluk, Kodagu District bounded on its:

Sl No.	Sy Nos.	Extent		Boundaries			
		Acres	Cents	East by:	West by:	North by:	South by:
1.	86/2	1	79	Survey Nos. 86/4 and 86/6	Survey No. 132/12	Survey Nos. 86/4 and 132/4	Survey Nos. 132/12 and 132/10
2.	87/1	0	98	Survey No. 87/4	Survey Nos. 87/2 and 98	Survey No. 98	Survey No. 87/6
3.	87/5	0	30	Survey No. 87/3	Survey No. 87/6	Survey No. 87/4	Survey No. 87/8
4.	87/6	0	80	Survey No. 87/5	Survey No. 87/2	Survey No. 87/1	Survey Nos. 87/7 and 87/8
5.	87/7	0	32	Survey No. 87/8	Survey No. 87/9	Survey No. 87/6	Survey No. 132/5
6.	87/8	0	80	Survey Nos. 87/3 and 132/6	Survey No. 87/7	Survey Nos. 87/5 and 87/6	Survey No. 132/6
7.	98	9	47	Survey Nos. 87/1 and 89	Survey Nos. 97, 99 and 131	Survey Nos. 96 and 97	Survey Nos. 87/1 and 87/2
8.	132/1	1	22	Survey No. 134/1	Survey No. 132/11	Survey Nos. 132/11 and 132/12	Survey No. 137/6
9.	132/6	2	28	Survey No. 132/4	Survey Nos. 87/7, 132/5 and 132/7	Survey No. 87/8	Survey No. 132/9
10.	132/7	0	12	Survey No. 132/9	Survey No. 132/2	Survey No. 132/5	Survey No. 132/8
11.	132/8	2	32	Survey No. 132/9	Survey No. 132/2	Survey No. 132/7	Survey Nos. 132/2, 132/9 and 138
12.	132/9	2	50	Survey No. 132/12	Survey No. 132/3	Survey Nos. 132/6 and 132/4	Survey Nos. 132/11, 132/12 and 132/4
13.	132/10	0	34	Survey Nos. 86/6, 87/7 and 86/4	Survey No. 132/10	Survey Nos. 86/2 and 86/6	Survey No. 134
14.	132/12	9	0	Survey Nos. 86/2 and 132/10	Survey Nos. 132/9 and 132/14	Survey No. 132/4	Survey Nos. 132/1 and 134
15.	133	4	70	Village boundary	Survey Nos. 86/4 and 134/2	Village boundary and Survey No. 86/4	Village boundary and Survey No. 134/2
16.	134/1	12	43	Village boundary and Survey No. 134/2	Survey Nos. 132/1 and 137/6	Survey Nos. 132/12 and 134/2	Survey Nos. 135/2 and 137/6
17.	134/2	2	50	Village boundary	Survey Nos. 132/10, 132/12 and 134/1	Survey No. 86/4	Survey No. 134/1
18.	86/5	0	27	Survey No. 86/1	Survey Nos. 87/9, 87/3 and 132/4	Survey Nos. 87/9 and 85/2	Survey No. 132/4
19.	87/3	0	50	Survey Nos. 86/5 and 132/4	Survey Nos. 87/5 and 87/8	Survey No. 87/4	Survey No. 132/4
20.	87/4	2	5	Survey Nos. 87/9 and 87/10	Survey No. 87/1	Remaining portion of Survey No. 87/4	Survey Nos. 87/3 and 87/5
21.	87/4	1	40	Survey No. 87/10	Survey Nos. 87/1 and 98	Survey No. 89	Remaining portion of Survey No. 87/4
22.	87/9	0	55	Survey Nos. 85/2 and 86/3	Survey Nos. 87/10 and 87/3	Survey Nos. 87/10 and 85/2	Survey No. 86/5
23.	89/1	1	0	Survey No. 88	Remaining portion of Survey No. 89/1	Road, Survey No. 74	Survey No. 87/4
24.	89/1	3	40	Remaining portion of Survey No. 89/1	Survey No. 89/2	Road, Survey No. 74	Survey No. 87/4
25.	89/2	4	65	Survey No. 89/1	Survey No. 98	Road and Survey No. 90	Survey Nos. 87/4 and 98
26.	132/4	6	72	Survey Nos. 86/1, 86/4 and 86/5	Survey Nos. 87/8 and 132/6	Survey Nos. 86/5 and 87/3	Survey Nos. 86/2, 132/9 and 132/12
27.	132/5	0	24	Survey No. 132/6	Survey No. 132/3	Survey No. 87/7	Survey No. 132/7
Total		72	65				

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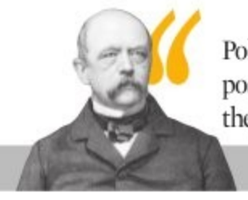

Politics is the art of the possible, the attainable—the art of the next best

Otto von Bismarck

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— Ramnath Goenka

LANDMARK VERDICT LEVELS PLAYING FIELD FOR ELECTORAL FUNDS

THE Supreme Court on Thursday levelled the playing field by striking down a six-year-old electoral bonds scheme that made political funding more opaque than it already was. The court found that the law had tilted the balance in favour of the party in power, as it gave it the means to access information on donors, though the scheme's USP was anonymisation. The right to information scored a momentous victory in a long while as a five-member Constitution bench unanimously held the controversial law unconstitutional. The bench ruled that its stated cloak of anonymity violated the principles of free and fair elections. While the law was sold as a scheme to suck out black money from the system and address criminalisation of politics, the court said it did not clear the proportionality test of the least restriction on fundamental rights. It said the least restrictive method was to facilitate contributions below ₹20,000 through other electronic means. As for bigger contributions, it pointed to the electoral trust route. In its landmark verdict, the court directed the State Bank of India, the issuing bank, to share with the Election Commission of India full data on who contributed what to which party so far, and the latter to publish it on its website. A humongous 57 percent of the electoral bonds issued so far have been pocketed by the BJP; the Congress got 10 percent and the crumbs went to other smaller parties.

The court observed that political contributions enhance access to legislators and could influence policy-making. The possibility of a *quid pro quo* because of the close nexus between money and politics is quite real, it pointed out. It also struck down amendments to the income tax law that lifted the cap on political funding by corporates from the earlier 7.5 percent of the previous three years' average net profit.

The ruling takes the country back to the situation before January 2018, when electoral bonds were notified. At that point, an overwhelming majority of political funds came through unregulated voluntary contributions, long form for black money. After 2017-18, an estimated 47 percent of the contributions came through electoral bonds or regulated money. This is the first significant victory for the beleaguered INDIA bloc that otherwise appears to be disintegrating faster than a meteor. Since it came in the courtroom and not through agitation on the streets, the opposition's ability to exploit it remains suspect.

CHECKS NEEDED TO AVOID ANOTHER KALESHWARAM

ONE of the costliest lift irrigation projects in the world, Kaleshwaram was touted as the previous Bharat Rashtra Samithi government's crowning achievement in Telangana. Any debate on its viability or design was dismissed with disdain by the then chief minister K Chandrasekhar Rao. Things came to a head when three piers of the Medigadda barrage, the water source of the mammoth project, sank by a few metres. The auditor general's report tabled in the state assembly on Thursday finally laid bare the gigantic mess that Kaleshwaram is.

The cost of the Kaleshwaram project is likely to exceed ₹1,47,427 crore, up from the initial projection of ₹81,911 crore. The auditor general found the project—which consists of three barrages, 17 reservoirs, several pump houses and canals—unviable for many reasons, prominent being the cost-benefit ratio of just 0.52 paise. The energy cost to operate the project is estimated to be at least around ₹7,000 crore a year and debt-servicing for the next 14 years is about the same as the project cost. If the project's objective, which is to irrigate over 18 lakh acres, were met, one could argue that the expenditure was justified. Regrettably, it does not seem to be the case. If one goes by the audit report, there are many mistakes in the project's execution. The state government did not have a proper funding pattern and relied heavily on off-budget borrowings. Now the situation is such that water cannot be stored beyond a low level to avoid further structural damage. Any which way you look at it, the project is all but a white elephant.

If a party in power could push through a project like Kaleshwaram in haste, is there an institutional mechanism to stop it? The intentions could be good; but if the outcome becomes a liability for generations to come, we must debate and put checks and balances in place. Telangana has the unenviable task of salvaging the project. The government has decided to form an expert panel comprising members from the National Dam Safety Authority to conduct a comprehensive study in order to decide the future course of action. It should also ask the Centre and the financial institutions concerned to restructure the loans. And the man whose brainchild it is, KCR, has some explaining to do.

QUICK TAKE

INNOVATE MORE TO HARM LESS

IT'S David versus Goliath on Delhi's borders again. But this time, both David and Goliath are turning the clash into a battle between technologies old and new. When the marching farmers started muffling tear gas canisters with wet jute bags, the government forces deployed drones to pop the cans overhead. Then the farmers, many of them ex-servicemen, started flying kites to ensnare the drones. Hearing that the farmers might bring horses to gallop over the dug-in barricades, the police have stocked up on lubricants to splash on the ground. Whichever way this battle of wits unfolds, we hope the innovations will reduce harm on both sides, not aggravate it.

The BJP's policy of welcoming all comers has yielded a bounty of allies. This is causing a problem of plenty in states where the allies don't see eye to eye

MAKING SPACE FOR STRANGE BEDFELLOWS

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THE strategy, described strikingly as a "free incoming policy" by a political commentator, was a two-edged sword to begin with. In the 1990s, when the BJP took a significant leap towards acquiring a pole position in national politics, the party's brass realised that just hawking its three core issues—"liberating" Ram's birthplace, abrogating Article 370 and legislating a common civil code—was not enough to supplant the Congress, which still had a strong pan Indian presence. A notable facet of the BJP's ambitious but astutely-crafted blueprint was to work hard at snagging big leaguers from other parties, especially the Congress, although it still had not coined the slogan of offering a 'Congress-mukt Bharat' (India rid of the Congress).

Any Congressperson signalling a desire to switch was a prey: Rangarajan Kumaramangalam, K C Pant, Sunil Shastri, V C Shukla, Buddha Priya Maurya, who was P V Narasimha Rao's Dalit mascot from Uttar Pradesh, were some of the incomers. If Maurya supposedly added to the BJP's endeavour to transcend its image as a 'Brahmin-Bania' outfit, the induction of Kumaramangalam, Pant, Shastri and Shukla lent celebrity to a party with a less-than-celebrated leadership line-up—barring Atal Bihari Vajpayee, L K Advani and Vijaya Raje Scindia—enhanced by their lineage as scions of political legends. The presence of the sons of Mohan Kumaramangalam, Gobind Vallabh Pant, Lal Bahadur Shastri and Ravi Shankar Shukla blunted the perception of being an "outcast" that for decades shadowed the BJP and its precursor, the Jana Sangh.

The outflow from the Congress and other parties went on incessantly, and often indiscriminately, until there came a moment of truth before the 2004 elections, when the BJP was confident PM Vajpayee would get another term. Dharam Pal Yadav, a UP politician and habitual party-hopper, was ushered in with fanfare despite his criminal antecedents to target the Yadav votes then with the Samajwadi Party. Yadav had got his political mentor Mahendra Bhatti murdered in 1992. In 2004, his son Vikas and nephew Vishal were given life sentences for killing Nitish Katara, a young business executive who was dating Yadav's daughter Bharti. The BJP, touted as a "party with a difference", was hard put to explain Yadav's induction and discarded him under public pressure.

Such free arrivals were dismissed as "aberrations" in the BJP's breathless onward journey. Alliances and incomers were embedded as a vital aspect of its blueprint that continues despite the party's record of getting majority mandates in states as well as the Centre. As for the big guns in the Congress and other parties, can they be faulted for aspiring to get elected and be gifted with a ministry and, if that's not tenable, secure a Rajya Sabha or state council berth? Especially if the leader belongs to a failing party like the Congress. The recent arrival of Ashok Chavan, former Maharashtra chief minister, and Milind Deora, former Congress MP from Mumbai and a close associate of Rahul Gandhi, in the Shiv Sena testify to the NDA's near-hegemonic status in a landscape muddled by a skewed playing field. What does the BJP's open-house policy signify? Obviously, it wants to sweep away the detritus left by the opposition, particularly in states with a high yield of seats such as Maharashtra, Bihar and West Bengal and even UP, where the BJP's pre-eminence is unchallenged so far.

Plenitude brings its own problems, which expose BJP's soft underbelly in a promising scenario. In Maharashtra, the BJP gerrymandered the legislative numbers to displace a coalition headed by the Sena and install its own by splitting the Sena and the Nationalist Congress Party. Its machinations have erupted in a serious caste imbalance, flowing from the demand for OBC reservation from the Marathas, a powerful intermediate caste.

While the BJP consolidated its OBC votes, it had failed to nurture a Maratha leader. Chief minister Eknath Sambhaji Shinde, from the breakaway but dominant Sena faction, fitted the bill and was assiduously courted by the BJP. But the low-key Shinde outplayed the BJP by promising to give the Marathas a share in the reservation pie. The move angered the OBCs and the BJP, which is in a quandary. Endorsing Maratha reservation could cost the party its core OBC votes, which might migrate to the Sena headed by Uddhav Thackeray, now a part of the opposition coalition. Confronting Shinde would checkmate the BJP's pro-Maratha strategy.

In Bihar, the BJP counts five partners in the NDA, each with a distinct social base that notionally constitutes a winning formula of upper and backward castes, economically backward class and Dalits: Nitish Kumar's Janata Dal (United), Upendra Kushwaha's Rashtriya Lok Samata Party, Jitan Ram Manjhi's Hindustani Awam Morcha, Chirag Paswan's Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas) and his uncle Pashupatinath Paras's Rashtriya Lok Janshakti Party. In the wings waits Mukesh Sahni's Vikassheel Insaan Party, representing the Mallah caste of fisherfolk and boatmen.

The BJP's task is cut out in Bihar, which has 40 seats. In 2019, only the JD(U) and Paswan's undivided LJP were part of the NDA. The BJP and Nitish's party took 17 seats each, leaving six for the LJP. The NDA swept the elections, winning 30 seats.

Would the winning streak replicate in a layout that has four new entities (and possibly a fifth) of which the LJP factions are at loggerheads? As Paswan's legatee, his scion Chirag—courted by the BJP after his successful public rallies—is demanding the six seats his father got five years ago. As the undisputed leader of the NDA, the BJP would claim its past quota of seats, which means the JD(U) will have to scale down its expectation. In UP, from winning the race with just two allies in 2019—Apna Dal (Sonelal) and NISHAD Party—the estranged Suheldev Bharatiya Samaj Party is back in the NDA. The BJP acquired Choudhary Jayant Singh's Rashtriya Lok Dal. On paper, each partner stands for distinct and fairly compatible identity groups that should shore up the BJP's prospects.

In the joust for seats, the devil lies in the detail. Small and geographically confined as these parties might be—the SBSP in eastern UP, Apna Dal and NISHAD in Awadh and the east, and RLD in the western Jat belt—they are aware of their utility to the BJP and might not give in as easily as Big Brother expects. *(Views are personal)*

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MEAGRE FUNDS, RED TAPE HOBBLE INDIAN SCIENCE

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THE remarkable global growth of science during the 20th century was accomplished primarily by the gradual scaling up of government funding. Some countries have stayed the course into this century. But in India, direct funding for basic research has remained at a low of 0.6-0.8 percent of GDP over the last decade, much lower than that of other BRICS nations. India's total expenditure on R&D has, in fact, fallen from 0.82 percent to 0.64 percent of the GDP between 2005 and 2023.

Over the last few years, there has been a steady drop in fund allocation to the agencies such as the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, the Department of Science and Technology, Department of Biotechnology, the Ministry of Earth Sciences and Indian Council of Medical Research. This trend of under-funding is reflected in the low proportion of qualified researchers available in India—255 researchers per million people in 2017, in contrast to 8,342 per million in Israel, 7,597 in Sweden and 7,498 in South Korea.

Over the past decade, the number of universities jumped from 752 to 1,016. More Indian Institutes of Technology and Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research were set up. This increase in the number of institutes does not correlate with the science budget. This mismatch is more acute now with only seven out of 100 project proposals, on an average, getting funded. Even for the approved projects, the budget gets sharply pared by the finance bureaucracy.

Even when you have secured a grant on paper, the funding may not arrive for months. The investigator would have little time to spend the money before the financial year ends. It has become a new normal that researchers receive their sanctioned project money in the later part of the year. When most are unable to spend the money in a few quick months, the rest goes back to the exchequer on March 31 because it was deposited in a 'zero balance' account, a norm introduced in April 2022.

Adding to this cumbersome procedure, a newly-imposed obligation requires principal investigators to submit quarterly reports on 'targets'. The bureaucracy seems oblivious that research is not an engineering project where time management techniques can be easily applied. Creative research is a means of producing new knowledge through trial and error. Scientists preoccupied with chasing grants and writing quarterly reports would have little time for careful contemplation of complex problems. The individual researcher's freedom to procure equipment with the required specifications has also been curtailed with the insistence on buying through the government e-marketplace. It enforces a compromise on equipment quality. Even to buy a spare part for a lab equipment, most of which is made outside India, a tender must now be floated for domestic manufacturers first. If any Indian manufacturer responds within 20 days, the scientist is bound to go with it regardless of the quality. If no one turns up, you can inform a government agency of your need to import; the agency typically takes about two months to respond. A scientist in her most important phase of the research would find such delays extremely demotivating and might even end up with a costly failure.

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India's funds for basic research have been dipping as a share of GDP. New norms for project payments and equipment purchase make matters worse. A new cumbersome bureaucracy is replacing the old one

The crippling procedures have also made the disbursal of fellowships difficult. Funds for postdocs and PhD scholars remain elusive for months or years. The inability to pay for manpower and supplies that are continuously needed for carrying out investigations affects research. Earlier, the faculty would rely on institutional backup funds to tide over funding delays. Now, research grants are kept with a bank. Many departments complain about the low turnover of PhD scholars as funding hurdles demotivate students.

The Union government approved a new funding mechanism called the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF), subsuming the Science and Engineering Research Board. The ANRF Act was brought into force on February 5, with a DST secretary appointed interim CEO. Its functioning will be governed by an executive council chaired by the Principal Scientific Adviser to the government. The National Education Policy of 2020, on the other hand, mentioned the National Research Foundation (NRF) would be independent of the government. Initially modeled after the National Science Foundation, an independent US federal government agency, it is not clear how the ANRF in its current form will be different from its previous bureaucratic avatar.

Out of the ₹50,000 crore set aside for NRF for 2023-28, about ₹ 36,000 crore was expected to come from the private sector. The government funding was envisaged to be around ₹2,800 crore a year. Earlier this week, the finance minister allocated ₹2,000 crore for the ANRF for 2024-25—an amount hardly sufficient even to maintain the present level of support.

The funding model being developed by the Centre encourages a greater role for the private sector and a gradual scaling down of public funding. Science institutes are now encouraged to develop research centres registered as Section 8 companies, wherein private companies or shareholders can invest money. The move to prioritise translational research over basic research is further strengthened in the interim budget for 2024-25. It has earmarked ₹1 lakh crore for research and innovation among the youth by providing "long-term financing or refinancing with extended tenors and low or nil interest rates".

Lessening the role of public funding and increasing marketisation could ruin curiosity-driven science. Private funding, including government-mandated corporate social responsibility funds, will skew the scientific process as donors have the freedom to decide whom and what they will fund. It's perplexing why our scientists and the science academies are silent on the increasing impediments to doing basic research in India.

(Views are personal)

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Electoral bonds

The Supreme Court's decision to declare electoral bond as unconstitutional is welcome. However, this could give rise to funding of election by black money which was why electoral bonds were introduced. The Supreme Court should have suggested alternatives while scrapping the electoral bonds. The top court could also have investigated if there were any *quid pro quo* between donors and parties.

OP Swaminathan, Bengaluru

Disease burden

Ref: *Profile India's disease predisposition for effective healthcare* (Feb 15). Countries all over the world are facing challenges posed by the growing burden of non-communicable diseases, which are the leading causes of mortality. These diseases can be prevented to a large extent through proactive measures.

Ishita Ghosh, email

Fiscal prudence

Ref: *Karnataka needs to plug revenue leaks* (Feb 15). The Congress government wasted no time in fulfilling populist election promises after coming to power last year. But now it is facing a shortage of funds. The governments of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala must take a cue from Odisha and Andhra Pradesh, and provide good governance while adhering to fiscal discipline.

Venkat Desikan, Chennai

Prison laws

Ref: *Solutions for progressive prison system in India* (Feb 15). Though various bodies have studied the problems faced by prisoners in India and laws have been made to protect their rights, there has been no progress. Unfortunately, a large number of undertrail inmates is left to languish in India's prisons.

Haribandhu Panigrahi, Tarbha

Temple tolerance

Ref: *1st UAE temple symbol of harmony, says Modi* (Feb 15). The UAE has conveyed a message of global unity with the inauguration of the first Hindu temple. The UAE government has supported the construction of this temple. The hard right in India must learn a lesson from the UAE and adopt a more tolerant approach towards all religious groups.

Arbaz Nadwi, email

Why hurry?

Ref: *Kejri gets 6th ED summons in excise case* (Feb 15). The case is now with a Delhi court, which asked the Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal to appear before it on February 17. The Enforcement Directorate could have waited for the outcome of Kejriwal's appearance in court and related instructions, if any, from the court before issuing a sixth summons to him.

NA Joseph, Ettumanoor

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Amit Malviya @amitmalviya
What is Mamata Banerjee so scared of? We know the drubbing she got in Nandigram still rankles her. But this unabashed defence of Shahjahan Sheikh is like wallowing in a swamp.

Govind Singh Dotasra @GovindDotasra
Do not fall for long names, having a couple of "Sri" in names doesn't guarantee you a real guruji. Some people are experts in the art of lying and the art of polishing.

Jawhar Sircar @jawharsircar
When Indian black money goes abroad (mysteriously) and comes back to India (more mysteriously) as investment—he stops investigations!

■ Legal eagles say the top court order will lead to more transparent political funding system ■ BJP and Oppn engage in war of words over the verdict

Cong, Left praise judgment, say their stand vindicated

All those political parties who are trying to politicise it are doing it primarily on the grounds that they have no answer or alternative to Modiji's leadership

Nalin Kohli, BJP spokesperson

We opposed electoral bonds from the very beginning and never accepted funding through electoral bonds. We are ideologically against corporate influence in elections

D Raja, CPI general secretary

We hope the Modi government will stop resorting to such mischievous ideas in future and listens to the SC so that democracy, transparency and level-playing field persist

Mallikarjun Kharge, Congress president

PREETHA NAIR & PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court's verdict on Thursday striking down the electoral bonds scheme as "unconstitutional", gave ammunition to the Opposition parties which launched scathing attacks on the government for its "corrupt policies".

Terming it "another proof of Narendra Modi's corrupt policies", senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi said that the BJP had made electoral bonds a medium for taking bribes and commission.

"...The right of the people to know has been placed above all clever legal arguments marshalled to defend the illegal Electoral Bonds Scheme," said party president Mallikarjun Kharge. Reacting to the development, the Communist Party of India (CPI) demanded that details of funding through electoral bonds be made public to "expose the crony capitalist nexus of the BJP."

Lauding the verdict, the polit bureau of the CPI-Marxist (CPM) said that by this judgment, the "unscrupulous" scheme designed to finance the ruling party by anonymous corporate donors has been completely scrapped.

The CPM is one of the petitioners who have approached the apex court against the scheme. CPM general secretary Sitaram Yechury welcomed the decision, saying that he is glad that this unanimous verdict has upheld his party's contention.

Will bring in transparency, enrich democracy: Experts

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

LEGAL experts, educators, and activists have hailed Thursday's Supreme Court verdict on the electoral bonds scheme as a significant step towards transparency in political funding.

Lawyer Prashant Bhushan described the ruling as historic, emphasizing its long-term impact on electoral democracy. He highlighted that the judgment reinforces citizens' fundamental right to information regarding political party funding.

Former Delhi High Court judge RS Sodhi echoed this sentiment, calling the verdict a landmark decision that will enhance transparency in the democratic process. Similarly, retired Patna High Court judge Anajana Prakash emphasized the positive impact of the judgment on democracy, noting its importance in restoring public faith in the system.

Anjali Bhardwaj, a prominent Right to Information activist, praised the relentless efforts of organisations like the Association of Democratic Reforms in challenging the electoral bonds. She believes the verdict will curb quid pro quo arrangements facilitated by anonymous corporate funding, thereby benefitting the society as a whole.

Prof Jagdeep Chhokar from the Association of Democratic Reforms welcomed the ruling for its potential to bring greater transparency to political funding. Likewise, lawyer Shadan Farasat expressed hope that the decision would lead to a more transparent political funding system, as the Supreme Court invalidated key amendments associated with the scheme.

Legal expert Kapil Sibal criticised the electoral bonds scheme as a means to benefit political parties rather than serve electoral purposes. He hailed the Supreme Court's ruling as historic and indicative of the scheme's underlying flaws.

Senior Supreme Court lawyer Dushyant Dave emphasized the broader significance of the judgment in rectifying unconstitutional amendments made through the finance bill.

Dave stressed the need to undo these amendments, asserting that the Supreme Court's verdict has effectively nullified them.

TRACKING NUMBERS

28,030 electoral bonds worth ₹16,518.11 crore were sold from March 2018 to January 2024

Maximum electoral bonds of **₹15,631 crore** were purchased in the denomination of ₹1 cr

₹6566.13 cr received by BJP via EBs from 2018-23

₹1,123.32 cr received by Congress via EBs from 2018-23

HOW MUCH POLITICAL PARTIES RECEIVED VIA EBs IN 2022-23

₹1,300 crore	BJP
₹171 crore	Congress
₹325 crore	TMC
₹529 crore	BRS
₹185 crore	DMK
₹152 crore	BJD
₹34 crore	TDP

(Source: Assodation for Democratic Reforms)

54.8% of the total EBs declared by political parties from 2017-23 were received by the BJP

KEY ISSUES THE COURT LOOKED INTO:

1. Whether non-disclosure of information on voluntary contributions to political parties as per the scheme and the amendments to Section 29C of Representation of the People Act, Section 183(3) of the Companies Act, Section 13A(b) of the Income Tax Act are violative of the Right to Information under Article 19(1)(a)
2. If unlimited corporate funding to political parties as envisaged by the amendment to Sec 182(1) of Companies Act violates principles of free & fair elections

BJP: Cong politicising verdict, no match to PM's leadership

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE BJP on Thursday criticised the Opposition for politicising the Supreme Court's judgment on electoral bonds. The party said electoral bonds were introduced to enhance transparency in poll funding.

Despite the Supreme Court striking down the electoral bonds scheme, the BJP defended it, stating that the intention behind it was to bring transparency to poll funding. Former Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad expressed the party's respect for the Supreme Court's verdict, adding that they would provide a detailed response after thoroughly reviewing the judgment.

Prasad also took a dig at the Congress, suggesting that parties known for corruption and bribery should refrain from levelling accusations against the BJP, which prioritises electoral norms and transparency. BJP spokesperson Nalin Kohli echoed Prasad's sentiments, criticising the opposition parties for politicising the issue and lacking alternatives to Prime Minister Modi's leadership.

The BJP urged the Opposition not to politicise the matter, emphasizing India's economic progress under Modi's leadership. Kohli accused opposition parties of trying to salvage a failing alliance and highlighted the government's efforts to curb black money in election funding through electoral bonds.

Taking a dig

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Fighting graft

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BJP names 8th candidate, voting inevitable for 10 RS seats in UP

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Thursday introduced its eighth candidate for the Rajya Sabha elections in Uttar Pradesh, leading to a necessary vote for 10 seats. The addition of **Sanjay Seth**, a local industrialist, on the final day for nomination submissions has intensified the competition. Now, the election features 11 candidates: eight from the BJP and three from the Samajwadi Party (SP), setting the stage for voting on February 27, with results announced the same day.

Sanjay Seth, who left the SP for the BJP in 2019, was nominated in the presence of notable BJP leaders, including Deputy Chief Minister Keshav Maurya. This move ends the possibility of an uncontested election that was anticipated until Wednesday, as the BJP had seven candidates and the SP three.

The election operates on proportional representation and a single transferable vote system, requiring a candidate to secure 37 first preference votes from the 399 active members of the 403-seat assembly to win. The BJP, with 252 members, leads the assembly, followed by the SP with 108, and the Congress with two. Other groups include the BJP's allies: Apna Dal (Sonelal) with 13 MLAs, the NISHAD Party with 6, the RLD with 9, and the SBSP with 6, bringing the NDA's total to 286. If two members from Raja Bhaiyya's Jansatta Dal Loktantrik support the BJP, the NDA will have 288 members. The lone BSP MLA's position is still unknown. After securing enough votes for 7 candidates, the ruling alliance needs 8 more votes to ensure Sanjay Seth's win, with 29 votes still available.

Including allies, the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) commands 286 seats, potentially reaching 288 with additional support, leaving the BJP needing more votes to secure Seth's victory.

The situation is complex due to internal divisions within the RLD and SBSP, where some members are aligned with the SP. The SP needs just three more votes to ensure its candidates' success, but potential support from the Congress and dissatisfaction within its ranks complicate its prospects. The dynamics suggest a tightly contested election, with outcomes dependent on party loyalties and strategic alliances

If the RLD and SBSP MLAs, who are part of the SP's quota, choose to support SP candidates, BJP's Sanjay Seth will not win. But if everyone remains loyal to their original parties, the BJP will need to find 8 more votes. The SP has 108 MLAs and needs just 3 more votes to successfully elect its three candidates.

Modi invites Qatari Emir to visit India

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday thanked the Emir of Qatar, Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, for the recent release of eight naval veterans who were under custody in Doha since 2022. The PM invited the Emir to visit India, Foreign Secretary Vinay Mohan Kwatra said. The two leaders held detailed discussions, first in a delegation level format and then in a restricted format. The topics of discussion included bilateral cooperation, trade partnership, investment cooperation, energy partnership, regional security, cultural affinity, and people-to-people ties.

"My visit to Qatar has added new vigour to the India-Qatar friendship. India looks forward to scale up cooperation in key sectors relating to trade, investment, technology and culture. I thank the government and people of Qatar for their hospitality," Modi said.

Modi also thanked the Emir for his support for the welfare of the Indian community in the Gulf nation.

11K delegates to join 2-day BJP nat'l meet on poll plans

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

AS part of its meticulously planned strategy to secure over 370 seats in the upcoming Lok Sabha elections, the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has slated a two-day national convention, to be held on February 17-18, with over 11,000 delegates, including national and state-ranked office-bearers.

The convention will kick off with an inaugural address by party national president JP Nadda on February 17 and conclude on February 18 with a central address by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Bharat Mandapam.

The primary objective of the national convention is to deliberate on comprehensive agendas for the Lok Sabha polls and present a clear roadmap for electoral success to the thousands of delegates. Former law minister Ravi Shankar Prasad, speaking to the media at the party's central office, emphasized the BJP's ambition to win 370 seats and the NDA's target to exceed 400 seats in the upcoming Lok Sabha elections.

Prasad highlighted that the convention would host around 11,500 delegates, including party officials, current and former MPs, MLAs, and elected mayors, with a focus on organisational agendas.

He also took a dig at opposition parties, asserting that the BJP stands out for its democratic organisational efforts, including timely national conventions, executive meetings, and other programmes at state and district levels.

Providing further details, Prasad mentioned that Nadda will deliver the opening speech on February 17, a tradition preceding general elections for the Lok Sabha. He emphasized the significant electoral support garnered by the BJP in previous conventions and the inspirational impact of Prime Minister Modi's addresses on party members.

Looking ahead to the LS polls, Prasad affirmed that the convention's culmination with Modi's address would reinforce the party's organisational agendas. He reiterated Modi's target of winning 370 Lok Sabha seats and outlined plans for broader discussions on the agenda of 'Viksit Bharat,' with an accompanying exhibition showcasing government achievements.

Furthermore, Prasad disclosed that two resolutions would be passed during the convention after detailed discussions on the upcoming Lok Sabha elections.

In poll mode

Following its national convention, the BJP has unveiled a nationwide plan aimed at securing the targeted 370 LS seats. From February 25 to March 5, the party intends to directly engage with over 6 crore beneficiary families across the country. This initiative involves deploying 25 lakh party workers to visit households benefitting from various government schemes and affixing stickers outlining developmental guarantees.

Centre sets up panel to check pesky calls menace

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

THE Centre has formed a committee to address pesky calls, which amount to violating the privacy and rights of users.

Constituted by the Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA), the committee comprises members of different regulatory authorities, telemarketing companies and cellular industry to draft the guidelines.

In a meeting convened by DoCA secretary Rohit Kumar Singh on Tuesday, it was observed that most of such calls are from the financial services sector, followed by real estate.

It was also pointed out that spam callers are now switching to internet calls, especially using WhatsApp to lure customers into ponzi schemes and crypto investments, or offer job opportunities.

"It was observed that these calls not only violate the privacy of users but also the rights of the consumers," Singh said.

The meeting was attended by representatives from Department of Telecom, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, Cellular Operators Association of India, BSNL, Vodafone, Airtel and Reliance.

The government had already advised commercial entities to get 140 number series prefixed to their phone number so that a consumer can identify the caller. "It gives subscribers more control on what kind of calls or texts they want to receive. Various unregistered telemarketers do not follow these provisions. It was emphasised in the meeting that all the telemarketers should ensure strict compliance to these enabling provisions," said Singh.

Efforts have already been made by the DoT and TRAI to address the issue related to spam messages and pesky calls from registered telemarketers.

SC stays trial court proceedings after CBI petition on Bengal poll violence

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Wednesday stayed the proceedings of trial courts in West Bengal in connection with the incidents of alleged violence in the aftermath of the 2021 state assembly polls.

After the results of the Assembly elections in West Bengal in May 2021, several persons who had to flee their houses due to the violence approached the High Court, claiming that they were not being allowed to return home by the ruling All India Trinamool Congress.

The top court was hearing a transfer petition filed by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), which sought that the cases be heard anywhere outside West Bengal.

The CBI alleged that witnesses and counsel were being threatened. The agency said this is obstructing the course of justice amidst inaction by state authorities despite complaints.

ALSO IN TOP COURT

Pleas against UAPA provisions withdrawn

Individuals and groups who had challenged the constitutional validity of the provisions of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) in the Supreme Court withdrew their pleas on Thursday, saying they have decided to move appropriate forums. A bench of Justices Bela M Trivedi and Pankaj Mithal allowed as many as eight petitions to be withdrawn.

NGT order on Dhasan sand mining set aside

Taking serious note of the massive sand mining being carried out in Dhasan river in Jhansi of Uttar Pradesh, the Supreme Court has set aside the National Green Tribunal order, and asked the tribunal to hear the matter again. The top court said the tribunal ought to have gone into the allegations of breach of the terms and conditions made in the application before it.

The bench sought responses of the state government and parties in the original cases. The Director General of Police, West Bengal, is asked to ensure compliance with the order.

"Meanwhile, further proceedings of the trial referred to in the prayer clause on page 58 onwards of the instant petition shall remain stayed," the court said. Similarly, the state government had filed a plea alleging that the CBI has been proceeding with probe without a statutory nod from the state.

ED summons Mahua on February 19 in FEMA case

UJWAL JALALI @ New Delhi

THE Enforcement Directorate has summoned Trinamool Congress (TMC) leader and former Lok Sabha MP **Mahua Moitra** for questioning in a case of FEMA contravention, while another TMC leader Deepak Adhikari was asked to appear before the agency in a separate case, official sources said Thursday.

While the 49-year-old Moitra has been asked to depose on February 19 at ED's Delhi office, Adhikari is expected to appear before it on February 21.

According to TMC state general secretary Kunal Ghosh, "The ED summoned Dev soon after he announced that he will contest the Ghatal seat. This would not have happened had he given in to pressure and contested for BJP."

For Moitra, sources said that her statement will be recorded under the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act once she deposes.

Moitra is being probed by the CBI too and it is conducting a preliminary inquiry into the allegations against her on the reference from the Lokpal.

BJP MP Nishikant Dubey had accused Moitra of asking questions in the Lok Sabha to target the Adani Group, and Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the behest of businessman Darshan Hiranandani in exchange for gifts.

He had also accused Moitra of compromising national security for monetary gains. In December, Moitra was expelled from Lok Sabha. Moitra has denied any wrongdoing.

COP SUSPENDED

A head constable of Churachandpur district police in Manipur has been suspended after he was allegedly seen with armed men in a video grab on social media recently, police said.

2 KILLED AS CAR FALLS INTO GORGE IN JOSHIMATH

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Bhopal	23	09	Panaji	34	22
Jaipur	26	13	Patna	25	16
Amritsar	23	09	Lucknow	24	11
Chennai	30	24	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	28	18	Imphal	25	10
Srinagar	10	02	Chandigarh	22	11

'Punjab could have stopped farmers'

Khattar says Punjab has some 'understanding' with farmers who are 'marching like an Army'

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

FACING criticism from the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)-led Punjab government over barricading the borders and using teargas and water cannons to prevent their farmers from entering the State, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Thursday alleged that Punjab has some sort of "understanding" with the farmers as it did not stop them from marching to the national capital the way they did.

"The Punjab government could have stopped farmers. If they did not stop, then there must be some understanding there, and 'Delhi wale' say they are with the farmers' movement," Khattar said, in an apparent reference to AAP.

The chief minister further said that he has objections not over farmers trying to reach Delhi but on their method adopted as they were "marching like an Army."

"Everyone has a right to go to Delhi. They can go there (Delhi) by using public transport like trains or buses or in personal vehicles. The tractor is for agricultural use but not for public transport. They (farmers) are marching with tractor-trolleys, JCBs (heavy duty machines), trucks and carrying ration for a year just like an Army. This method is objectionable as it questions the motive," the chief minister said.

Farmer leader Jhanda Singh Jethuke addresses fellow protestors during the 'rail roko' protest, in Bathinda, Punjab on Thursday | PTI

Problem with the method: Haryana CM

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar said that he has objections not over farmers trying to reach Delhi but on their method adopted as they were "marching like an Army. They (farmers) are marching with tractor-trolleys, JCBs (heavy duty machines), trucks and carrying ration for a year just like an Army."

Pointing guns at AAP without taking the name, Khattar said the Delhi government (AAP) has stated that they support the farmers' movement. "Supporting the demands of farmers is one thing but lending support to their movement is another...it does not send the right message," Khattar said.

After talks with the Centre failed over the demand including Minimum Support Price (MSP) on all crops, farm loan waiver, pensions to farmers and dropping the cases registered during the 2021 protest, hundreds of farmers left Punjab to lay a siege over Delhi till their demands are not met.

However, they failed to cross the border with Haryana as the latter had put in place multi-layer security.

Since then farmers have been camping at the Shambhu and Khanauri border points.

The farmer leaders have said they will not make any fresh attempt to move towards the national capital till the meeting with Union ministers is held, asserting that the next course of action will be decided on the basis of the Centre's proposals.

"They should sit and talk. Matters can be resolved through mutual discussion. Everyone has the right to express their views in a democratic manner," Khattar added.

Asked about the Punjab government objecting to the use of a drone for tear gas shelling in its territory, Khattar said that Punjab has not faced an agitation of this kind before, unlike Haryana. He was referring to the farmers' agitation in 2021 when farmers camped at the Tikri and Singhu borders for a year to protest against the now-repealed farm laws.

The way they camped at the two border points for a year caused hardships to many people, Khattar said, adding "Even today, there are several videos of people appealing that they (farmers) should be stopped as their businesses will suffer." Highlighting the farmer-related schemes in Haryana, Khattar said, "Punjab farmers to see what the Haryana government is doing for its farmers and half of their problems would be resolved if their government, too, took those steps."

"Our farmers are satisfied. They should get these things implemented by Punjab government," he said

Speaker in Maha ruling: Ajit Pawar faction real NCP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

IN a significant declaration on Thursday, Maharashtra Assembly Speaker Rahul Narwekar endorsed the faction of the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) led by Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar as the legitimate representation of the party. Narwekar emphasised that the constitutional anti-defection laws are not meant to suppress the expression of internal disagreements in political parties.

During the proceedings, Narwekar dismissed disqualification petitions against legislators from both the Ajit Pawar faction and the faction led by his uncle, Sharad Pawar, highlighting that Ajit Pawar's faction, with a commanding legislative majority of 41 out of 53 party MLAs, had rightfully aligned with the Shiv Sena-BJP government in Maharashtra in July 2023. This move, according to Narwekar, cemented the Ajit group's status as the genuine political entity within the NCP.

This ruling aligns with a recent decision by the Election Commission that recognised the Ajit-led faction as the true NCP, a decision that faced criticism from the Sharad Pawar faction, with accusations of the Speaker's ruling being a mere replication of a prior judgment concerning rival Shiv Sena factions. NCP MP Supriya Sule, daughter of Sharad Pawar, condemned what she perceived as a concerted effort to undermine major Maharashtra-based political parties.

Narwekar, in his verdict, underscored that questioning or opposing Sharad Pawar's leadership did not equate to defection but represented valid internal critique. He criticised the misuse of the Constitution's tenth schedule, aimed at disqualification for defection, to quell dissent among party members.

Supriya Sule expressed scepticism about the Speaker's impartiality, suggesting that an underlying influence dictated the outcome, reflective of broader issues of governance bypassing established legal and constitutional frameworks. Sunil Tatkare, the Maharashtra NCP president, welcomed the Speaker's decision.

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Rahul, PM Modi to be in UP to sound poll bugle

Uttar Pradesh is already into the poll mode with all the top notch political leaders frequenting the politically most crucial state of Hindi heartland. The week is set for political razzmatazz with both Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Congress leader Rahul Gandhi expected to sound the poll bugle in the state on Monday, February 19. Moreover, SP chief Akhilesh Yadav, left in lurch by one of its most loyal allies RLD recently, is also expected to join the Congress party's 'Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra' to make up for political losses on February 19 or 20. While PM Modi will lay foundation stone of projects, Gandhi would be in Amethi.

Akhilesh Yadav tries hand at soft Hindutva

Already under fire from various sections of majority community over refusing invites for Pran Pratishthha and darshan of Ram Lalla, Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav is out to placate the sanatanis in UP by resorting to soft Hindutva when he, accompanied by MP wife Dimple and other senior leaders, performed puja of a "Shaligram shila" brought from Nepal from which a "shivling" will be carved and installed in a temple at Etawah – being built by the SP. High on optics, the puja, at the SP headquarters in Lucknow, was performed in full media glare.

Dissent in air for Samajwadi Party

Emerging from the shock of desertion by RLD, the Samajwadi Party is in for more dissenting voices of other allies who had come together under its umbrella during 2022 Assembly polls. While party MLC Swami Prasad Maurya quit the post of party's general secretary alleging discrimination and demeaning attitude of party leaders, Apna Dal (K) leader Pallavi Patel, who had contested on SP symbol and snatched Sirathu Assembly segment from BJP leader Keshav Maurya, has said that she would not vote in favour of SP candidates. Patel's decision is due to the failure of SP leadership in having PDA imprint in RS poll ticket distribution.

Jolt to INDIA alliance as Farooq decides to go it alone in LS elections

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

IN what could be termed as a jolt for INDIA Alliance, National Conference president and three-time former J&K Chief Minister Farooq Abdullah on Thursday hinted at the party going alone in the parliamentary polls by asserting that his party would contest the Lok Sabha elections on its own.

"As far as seat sharing for LS polls is concerned, I want to make it clear that NC will contest the polls on its own. There is no doubt about it," Abdullah told reporters in Srinagar today.

There are five Lok Sabha seats in J&K after the bifurcation of erstwhile J&K state into two Union Territories – Jammu and Kashmir (with legislature) and Ladakh (without legislature) by centre on August 5, 2019.

Out of the five parliamentary seats, NC had won three seats (in Valley) and BJP two (both seats from Jammu) in the 2019 general elections.

Abdullah said he was hopeful that the parliamentary polls and Assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir would be held simultaneously.

Abdullah's hard talk of going it alone in LS polls is seen as a major setback to India bloc parties especially PDP and Congress, who were hopeful of unitedly contesting all the five parliamentary seats in J&K.

Of the five seats, PDP wanted to contest from Anantnag-Rajouri LS seat while leaving two Valley seats and two Jammu seats for NC and Congress respectively. Congress was eyeing the Anantnag-Rajouri LS seat alongwith one seat in Jammu region while NC is not ready to leave any of the three seats won by it in 2019 polls.

Former J&K CM and NC vice president Omar Abdullah said, "We have been very clear for the last few months that in six LS seats of erstwhile J&K state including Ladakh, three seats won by NC in last elections are with India Alliance. Therefore the seats to be discussed are the seats held by BJP."

TMC MP quits, says unhappy with leadership

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

ACTOR and Trinamool Congress MP Mimi Chakraborty on Thursday announced her resignation from the post hinting her unhappiness over the party leadership in her constituency. Though she had submitted her resignation to TMC supremo Mamata Banerjee on Tuesday, the MP from south Kolkata's Jadavpur met the CM on Thursday.

"I had submitted my resignation to her on February 13. I have understood in all these years that politics is not my cup of tea," said Mimi after meeting Mamata. Asked if the local leadership was hampering her decision making role, she said, "I would not deny it." However, Mimi's move would not count as formal as the resignation should go to the LS Speaker.

Amid pressure, Didi breaks silence, blames RSS for Sandeshkhali unrest

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

WEST Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Thursday held BJP's ideological parent RSS responsible for the unrest in strife-hit Sandeshkhali and alleged "there were other plans" during Saraswati Puja.

"RSS has a base in Sandeshkhali, where riots took place seven-eight years ago also. It is one of the vulnerable riot spots. We handled the situation strongly during Saraswati Puja or else there were other plans," she said in the Bengal Assembly.

"I have never supported violence. State Women's Commission and administrative officials had been dispatched to the area and some arrests made. Our women police teams are present there. A women police team is visiting and addressing grievances," the CM added.

BJP's high-command sent a six-member fact-finding team which will visit Sandeshkhali on Friday. The team landed at Kolkata on Thursday evening.

Sandeshkhali has been on the edge since three officers of the Enforcement Directorate (ED) were bashed up and left bleeding when they went to search the house of local TMC leader Shahjahan Sheikh in a foodgrain scam case on January 5. After the TMC leader and his men missing since the attack, the women of the area mustered courage to protest against the sexual abuse on them allegedly by the ruling party's satraps.

Accusing the law enforcers of being hand in glove with "rowdy elements" in Sandeshkhali, where the local women have been protesting, Governor C V Ananda Bose submitted a report to the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) on Wednesday mentioning the locals' demand of constituting a Special Task Force (STF) to probe into the alleged nexus.

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Bose termed the situation in Sandeshkhali "highly reprehensive" and mentioned about the locals' allegation that goonda elements, disguised as policemen are trespassing into victims' houses in the night.

"I have taken stock of the matter through direct interaction with the victims and by making extensive field visits to Sandeshkhali island. The situation there is highly reprehensible," the report read. s"The shattering assault on the honour of women by a small gang who display symptoms of anti-social personality disorder does not bring credit in a democratic regime," it added.

Champai to expand cabinet today, many new faces likely

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

JHARKHAND CM Champai Soren is all set to expand his Cabinet on Friday, which will also have several new faces, including JMM chief Shibu Soren's younger son Basant Soren, who is likely to take oath as the new deputy CM.

Sources claimed that two deputy Chief Ministers, one from the JMM and the other from Congress quota, will likely take oath at the Raj Bhawan. Champai Soren (JMM) had taken the oath with two ministers -- Alamgir Alam of the Congress and the lone RJD MLA Satyanand Bhokta. In his cabinet, 12 ministers, including the Chief Minister himself, could be accommodated.

According to JMM sources, the party is likely to continue with most of the ministerial positions occupied by the legislators in the previous government with a possibility of one or two changes. Congress, on the other hand, is heading towards significant changes, and at least three out of four ministerial berths are likely to be filled up with new faces.

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In the previous government, Alamgir Alam, Dr Rameshwar Oraon, Banna Gupta and Badal were ministers from the Congress quota. Still, sources claimed that barring Alam, the other three will be replaced with new faces.

According to Congress insiders, ex- ministers Banna Gupta, Rameshwar Oraon, and Badal Patralekh are likely to be replaced by new and young faces like Anup Singh and Dipika Pandey Singh, who also have a good rapport with senior Congress leaders.

Believe it or not! 'Dead' woman from C'garh comes alive in Bihar after 18 hrs

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

An elderly woman, who was declared dead by doctors of a Chhattisgarh hospital, came back to life soon after her body entered the limits of her native state—Bihar.

The woman, Ramwati Devi, 71, is undergoing treatment in intensive care unit (UCI) of Begisarai district sadar hospital in Bihar and doctors attending to her said that she was recovering fast. The incident happened on February 11 when she complained of uneasiness and was admitted to a private hospital in Korva district of Chhattisgarh.

She died in the hospital during treatment the next day.

Her two sons—Ghanshyam Sah and Murari Sah—then decided to perform the last rites at their native village Neema Chandpura in Bihar's Begusarai district. They hired a private vehicle to bring the body to their native village.

Nearly 18 hours of their journey, the sons noticed some activities in the body of their mother. Initially they could not believe their eyes, but the activities became more evident when they reached Aurangabad in Bihar.

They parked the vehicle by the road and observed the activities in the dead body for some time. They were taken aback when they found she was alive. They rushed to Begusarai sadar hospital where she was admitted to ICU.

Dr Krishna Kumar, who is attending to Ramwati, said on Thursday that she was responding to the line of treatment and her condition had improved.

Dr Kumar said that she was put on a ventilator immediately after being admitted to the hospital. He said the patient was being brought by road, the jerk of the vehicle might have worked as Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) due to which regained consciousness.

CPR is a lifesaving technique that is used in many emergencies in which someone's breathing of heartbeat has stopped.

When contacted, Ghanshyam said, "My mother has gone to meet us in Chhattisgarh where we live. She has some sort of breathing problem for long but it became severe once she reached Chhattisgarh. We got her admitted to a hospital in Korva where doctors declared her dead during treatment."

'Jerk in vehicle may have worked as CPR'

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BSNL says will bring signal to India-China border in U'khand

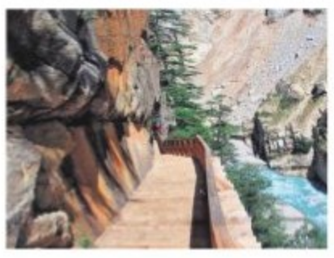
NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

MOBILE phones will soon be ringing at the India-China international border during the upcoming Chardham Yatra season. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is setting up mobile towers that will allow residents of Nelong and Jadung villages to communicate with their families within the state and across the country from the comfort of their homes.

According to the information received, "BSNL officials have reported that approximately 70 per cent of the tower installation work in Nelong has been finished, with the first phase underway in Jadung".

As per the officials of Department of Telecommunications, mobile tower signals will reach the Janaktal track. The central government is actively implementing the Vibrant Plan to rejuvenate Nelong and Jadung villages, a strategically significant initiative.

Mobile signals will soon be accessible in Ulana village in the Dhontari area, as well as in the most isolated villages of Jaudaun and Silla within the Bhatwari development block in the next two to three months.



"Despite being situated 10 to 12 km away from the main road, these villages currently lack basic facilities such as roads and communication services. Efforts are underway to install towers to ensure mobile connectivity in all these villages", the official told.

Speaking to this newspaper, Uttrakhand Tourism minister Satpal Maharaj said, "Nelong and Jadung villages are located at an altitude of 11,400 feet above sea level. These villages have historical significance as they served as trading centers between Tibet and India," said Minister Maharaj.

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(TWO COVER SYSTEM) (Short Term Tender Notification)
(Through GoK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)

The Executive Engineer, MPED-C, invites tenders on behalf of the Hon'ble Chief Commissioner, BBMP, Bengaluru from eligible Tenderers for the construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Proposed Room for Pourakarmikara Maha Sangha in Cellar floor Annex-3 Building at HO Premises. **Approx. Amount put to tender (Including GST) :** Rs. 4,71,295/- **EMD (In Rs) :** 11,800/-

Calendar of events: 1) Availability of Tender Document: 16.02.2024 onwards. 2) Last Date for uploading the Filled Proposals: 01.03.2024 17:30 hrs. 3) Opening of Proposals: 02.03.2024 at 17:30 hrs. **Sd/- Executive Engineer (MPED-C)**

BANGALORE UNIVERSITY

Office of the Registrar, Jnanabharathi, Bengaluru-56

No. BU/E-Gov./Tenders-ADV-12/2023-24 Date: 15.02.2024

E-Tender Notification

Bangalore University invites bids for the following tenders through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal. Details of the tenders are available at e-procurement platform **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**. Bids are to be submitted electronically at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**. Bidders are requested to adhere to the time schedule prescribed in the tender.

Sl No.	Description of the Tender
1	Supply of Medicines to the Health Centre of Bangalore University
2	Providing Catering Services for Meetings and Functions of Bangalore University (Call-2)
3	Providing Upvc Window, Flooring Tiles, Exterior Painting & Other Repair Works to R9 Quarters At Jnana Bharathi Campus, Bangalore University Bangalore.
4	Document Management System-Scanning, Digitizing and Indexing of Marks lists & Ledgers in the Examination branch (Pre-Bid meeting on 22.02.2024 at 11.30 AM)
5	Supply of Cold Evaporator to the department of Microbiology and Biotechnology, Bangalore University (Call 2)

DIPR/CP/3609/AKAR/2023-24 **Sd/- Registrar**

CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL HOSAPETE

No: CMC HPT/WS/MF/2023-24 Dated: 13-02-2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION (IFT) E-PROCUREMENT

2023-24 Municipal Fund tenders are invited for the work mentioned below as per KTPP act 2000 in two cover system are invited from the eligible Contractors/Firms registered in KPWD as mentioned below. in e-procurement the contractors / firms will have to upload all information, documents and rates etc., **www.kppp.karnataka.govt.in** **(1)** Tender Last Date: **21-02-2024 5.00 PM. (2)** Opening for Technical Bid will be on Date: **22-02-2024 5.10 PM. (3)** Opening for Financial Bid will be on Date: **23-02-2024 5.10 PM** Indent No: **1)DMA/2023-24/SE1203/CALL-2** Estimated Cost Rs in (Lakh) **64.00** **2)DMA/2023-24/SE1291/CALL-3** Estimated Cost Rs in (Lakh) **90.00.** any other information required can be obtained from the office of the CMC Hosapete during the working hours.

Sd/- Assistant Executive Engineer CMC Hosapete **Sd/- Municipal Commissioner CMC Hosapete**

DIPR/Vijayanagar/404/DeshpandePublicity/2023-24

KARNATAKA STATE COIR DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
SF-4 & SF-5, Sterling Towrers (Garment Complex),
KSIIDC Industrial Estate, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560 010.
Ph: 080-23105866, Fax: 23105865, e-Mail: kscdcmd@gmail.com www.karnatakacoir.co.in

No.:KSCDCL/IA/2PLY-5PB/KDL-CHL-KRE-2024 Date:15.02.2024

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal)
'On Behalf of SPV's Sfurti Coir Clusters and Coir Board Government of India"

Short-term tenders are invited from the Coir Machinery Manufacturers for the **Supply of 2-ply yarn machines for the Kadaluru, Cheluru and Koratagere Sfurti Coir Cluster and 5 KG Pith Block-Making Machine for the Koratagere Sfurti Coir Cluster,** through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal under two cover system (Technical and financial) as per the KTPP Act, 1999. For more tender-related information, log on to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** KPPP Helpdesk: Contact No:**+91-8046010000** and **+91-8068948777** Date of Commencement of Tenders: **15.02.2024 at 11.00 a.m.** Pre-bid meeting date: **22.02.2024 at 11.00 a.m.** Last date and time for receipt of tenders: **29.02.2024 up to 4.00 p.m.** Date and time of opening of tenders: **01.03.2024 at 11.00 a.m.** Place of Pre-bid meeting and opening of tenders: **Karnataka State Coir Development Corporation Ltd., SF-4 & SF-5, Sterling Towers (Garment Complex), KSSIDC Industrial Estate, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560 010.**

Sd/- Managing Director, KSCDCL

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT DIVISION, VIJAYAPUR.

I.F.T.No:EE/PWD/VJP/PB/5054-Appendix-E/2023-24/4785 Dated:14.02.2024

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (E-Procurement)

The- **Executive Engineer, Public Works Dept. Division, Vijayapur** Invites tenders from eligible tenderers (registered in Public Works Department) Total 1 work, As per standard bid documents KW-4 with 5054-03-337-0-17-154 Appendix-E head of account costing of amount for Rs. 990.00Lakhs respectively, the EMD amount of Rs. 14,85,000.00 for the work. For above work G.S.T amount will be paid to the Contractor separately and Increase in G.S.T shall not be paid in the extended period of Contract for which the contractor alone is responsible for delay as determined by the authority while granting the extension of time. The calendar events of tenders, dates are fixed as follows (1) Pre-Bid Meeting for Contractors Date- 17-02-2024 upto 11.00 AM (2) Last Date for Receipt of Tenders Date-22-02-2024 upto 4.30 PM. (3) Opening of Technical Bid Date-23-02-2024 at 4.31 PM. (4) Opening of Financial Bid Date-26-02-2024 at 11.00 AM. Clause-3 Conditions of Standard Bid Document may be seen in Departmental Website i.e "https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in" and for more information may contact help desk Bangalore (Phone No. _91 80 46010000, +91 80 68948777) or office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Vijayapur

DIPR/VIJAYAPURA/467/KSMCA/2023-24

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY e-Tender Notice

Tender No : Re T No.213 to 215/2023-24/SE/Q

JJM -Poruvazhy, Kunnathoor panchayath-Transmission main, pumping main, constuction of OHSR, road restoration work, construction of 10m dia intake well cum pump house and aproach road and sub station building near Njankadavu. EMD : Rs. 500000, 200000, Tender fee : Rs. 16540+2978,11025+1985, Last Date for submitting Tender : 01-03-2024 02:00:pm, Phone : 0474 2745293 **Website : www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in**

KWA-JB-GL-6-2358-2023-24 Superintending Engineer, PH Circle, Kollam

Government of Karnataka - Forest Department

Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhadravathi Division, Lower Hutha Bhadravathi – 577301

Ph:08282-266355 Fax:08282-266647
e-mail:dcfbdvt@yahoo.in

No.: A2:BUD:Tender.C.R-26/2023-24-12 Date:12.02.2024

(Through e-Procurement Portal)

Tenderis invited through https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in portal for implementation of below mentioned works in the limits of various zones of Bhadravathi Forest Division for the year 2023-24 fixing time up to 4.30 PM on 20.02.2024. For Tender conditions and further information this office can be contacted during office hours and details regarding the Tender can be obtained from the official website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.inApproximate amount of work: Rs. 113.33541 lakhs.

1.Construction of Elephant prevention Trenches

*) Last date for Tender Submission: 20.02.2024, 4.00 PM
*)Date of opening Technical Bid: 21.02.2024, 4.30 PM
*)Date of opening Financial Bid: 21.02.2024, 5.30 PM

Sd/- Ashish Reddy M.V. (IFS), Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhadravathi Division, Bhadravathi

DIPR/smg/No.126/02/ksmca/23-24/1280

ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ.

ನಂ:ದಾಮಪಾ:ಕಾಅ3:ಇ.ಟೆಂಡರ್:20:2023–24 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 14.02.2024

ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ)

2023–24ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ನಿಧಿ– 12 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಯ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ , 2017–18ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಎಸ್.ಎಫ್.ಸಿ ಮುಕ್ತನಿಧಿಯ–ಶೇಕಡ 5.00ರ ಯೋಜನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಉಳಿಕೆಯಾಗಿರುವ ಅನುದಾನದಲ್ಲಿ – 01 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಯ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಮರುಟೆಂಡರ್, 2022–23ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ 15ನೇ ಹಣಕಾಸು ಆಯೋಗದ ಜನರಲ್ ಬೇಸಿಕ್ ಗ್ರಾಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ – 01 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್, 2021–22 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ 15ನೇ ಹಣಕಾಸು ಆಯೋಗದ Million Plus City ಅನುದಾನದಲ್ಲಿ–06 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು (04 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಪೂರ್ಣಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮತ್ತು 01 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಯ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಮರುಟೆಂಡರ್), ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಡಬಲ್ ಕವರ್ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು(ವಿದ್ಯುತ್/ನೀರುಸರಬರಾಜು) ರವರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು/ವಿಜಿನ್ದಾರರು/ ಸರಬರಾಜುದಾರರು ಕೆಪಿಪಿಪಿ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ್ kppp.karnataka.gov.in ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಾಗಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿ ಸಮಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ಶಾಖೆಗೆ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಸಹಾಯಕ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 08192 234444 ರಿಂದ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಸೂಚನೆ : 1) ಈ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಮುಂದೆ ನಮೂದಿಸಿದ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ ಹಾಗೂ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ ದಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿದ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಿಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತವು ಅಂತಿಮವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. 2) ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಆದಲ್ಲಿ ಆ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಗಮನಿಸುವುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಯಾವುದೇ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಪೂರ್ಣಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ : 02.03.2024 ಸಮಯ : 17.00 ಪೂರ್ಣಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ : 04.03.2024 ಸಮಯ : 17.00 ಪೂರ್ಣಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ : 06.03.2024.ಸಮಯ : 11.00 ನಂತರ

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ : 21.02.2024, ಸಮಯ: 17.00 ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ : 22.02.2024 ಸಮಯ 17.00 ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ : 23.02.2024 .ಸಮಯ : 17.30 ನಂತರ

ವಾಸಾಇ/ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ/599/ಕೆಮುಎಂಸಿ/2023–24

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ವಿ) ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ

ESTD: 1907

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OP. BANK LTD.,

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: NO. 3, Pampamahakahvi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore -18.
Office: 26678572 : 26600512: 26609066. Tele Fax: (080) 26617980

(Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.

The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No.	Name of the Loanee	Balance Outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
HEAD OFFICE BRANCH			
01	Sri. Nagendra. K	Demand Notice Dated : 28.11.2023 Possession Notice Dated : 12.02.2024 Balance outstanding : Rs.45,98,584/- as on : 12.02.2024	Property & Measurement :- **No.26, Previously No. 25 & 26, Srinivas Nilaya, Second Main Road, C.K.C Garden, MissionRoad, Bengaluru-27, Presently coming Under the Jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 48 of Sudhamanagar, With PID No.48-40-26, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 60 feet & North to South : 24 feet.** East by: **Property of A. Narayanappa.** West by: **Road,** North by: **Passage & thereafter Property of K. Ravishankar,** South by: **Road.**
02	Smt. Nagamma (Deceased) legal heirs Sri. Srinivas.P (son), Smt.Dhanalakshmi P (Daughter)	Demand Notice Dated : 13.07.2023 Possession Notice Dated: 12.02.2024 Balance outstanding: Rs.10,32,497/- as on : 12.02.2024	Property & Measurement :- **No.8, Ramakrishna Mutt Layout, , BBMP Ward No. 49 of K G Nagar, PID No.49-38-8, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 6 Mtrs & North to South : 11.30 Mtrs.** East by: **Site No.9,** West by: **Site No.7,** North by: **Site No.43,** South by: **Road.**
JAYANAGAR BRANCH			
03	Sri. Lokesh (Deceased) Legal Representatives: 1) Padma (Wife), 2) Naveen .L (Son), Meena (Daughter)	Demand Notice Dated : 19.09.2023 Possession Notice Dated 12.02.2024 Balance outstanding : Rs.20,95,593/- as on : 12.02.2024	Property & Measurement :- **New Municipal No. 08, Sarakki Agrahara, J.P Nagar, 2nd Stage, BBMP Ward No. 57 of J.P. Nagar, PID No. 57-136-8, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 40 feet & North to South : 17 feet.** East by: **Private Property,** West by: **Road,** North by: **Road,** South by: **Remaining portion of Site No.08.**
04	Ajaz Ahmed Khan	Demand Notice Dated : 21.11.2023 Possession Notice Dated: 12.02.2024 Balance outstanding : Rs.86,15,223/- as on : 12.02.2024	Schedule Property & Measurement :- **New No.06, old No. 09, 4th Main Road, Bismilla Nagar, BBMP Ward No. 64 & New ward No.171 of Gurappanapalya, PID No. 64-97-6, Bengaluru.** Measuring: **East to West : 30 feet & North to South : 43 feet.** East by: **Property No.10,** West by: **Property No.08,** North by: **Private property,** South by: **Road.**
K R PURAM BRANCH			
05	Munikrishna M And Lakshmamma	Demand Notice Dated: 25.10.2023 Possession Notice Dated: 12.02.2024 Balance outstanding : Rs.9,04,591/- as on : 12.02.2024	Property & Measurement :- **No.4 Dhokanahalli slum Dr.B.R Ambedkar Baba Saheb Layout, HAL 2nd Stage, Indiranagar, BBMP ward No.74, Jeevan Bheema Nagar, PID No. 74-4-4, Bangalore.** Measuring: **East to West : 6.10 Mtrs & North to South : 9.14 Mtrs.** East by: **Site No.3,** West by: **Site No.5,** North by: **Road,** South by: **Site No.45.**
RAMANAGARA BRANCH			
06	Smt. Jabeen Taj	Demand Notice Dated: 21.11.2023 Possession Notice Dated: 12.02.2024 Balance outstanding : Rs.12,04,942/- as on : 12.02.2024	Property & Measurement :- **New No.254/A/1669/A, Old Khatha No.254/1669, New E Khatha property No.11-3-520-26, town ward No.11, Thasildhar Conversion, order No.57/82-83, sy No.191, Ramanagar Grama, Kasaba Hobli,. Ramanagar Grama, kasaba Hobli, Ramanagar Taluk Ramanagar Dist.** Measuring: **East to West : 40 feet & North to South : 50 feet.** East by: **Municipal road,** West by: **Property belonging to Sardar Shareif,** North by: **Property bearing no 5 belonging to Mujeeb Ahmed,** South by: **Property bearing no.7.**

Date: 15.02.2024
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Bangalore City Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

Government of Karnataka

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, UDUPI DIVISION, UDUPI (PIU)

Website: https://www.kpwd.gov.in Email: eepwdudp02@gmail.com

No. EE/PWD/UDN/NIT/23/2023-24/AE-2 Dated: 15-02-2024

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE

This tender for the following works are invited through e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka (Viz., www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in).

Sl No	Name of Work	Amount put to tender (in Rs)	EMD (in Rs)	Last Date for Submission of tender in E-procurement	Eligible Tenderer
1	Construction of Suthu Pouli and Mukha Mantapa at Shree Hosa Marigudi Temple in Kaup, Udupi District (Phase-I Work) (7229)	₹ 9,31,15,000.00 (Including GST)	₹ 13,96,800.00	01-03-2024	CLASS-I PWD Contractor

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Udupi Division Udupi

Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd

(FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD)
Registered Office : No.769, Spencer Plaza, 4th Floor, Phase-II, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600002.

POSSESSION NOTICE (U/s. Rule 8 (1) - for immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with [Rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the below mentioned Borrowers to repay thetotal outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Since the below mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the below stated amount within the stipulated time, notice is hereby given to the below mentioned borrowers andthe public in general that, the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security interest Enforcement Rules, 2002. The Borrowers in particularand the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the schedule mentioned properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited and further interest and other charges thereon." The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub–section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets."

SR NO	Name of the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Symbolic possession taken date
1	**BRANCH - Hsr Layout LOAN NO - SEHRLYT0388118 BORROWER - MRS.SELVI R Co-Borrower - KANNAPPA RAMAMURTHY**	All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing corporation PID No.4-129-1, Corporation New No.1, Old corporation No.484/1, Previous No.484, portion of site Nos. 11 and 12, Situated at 6th A cross, Gokula 1st stage, 2nd Phase, which is formed in sy no.34/2 Mathikere Village, Ward NO.4, Yeshwanthpura, Division No.2, Bangalore.Measuring East to West 35 ft and North to South23.6 ft, in total 826 Sq ft. North by: Road, South by: Property Belongs to Ramanna.,East by: Road, West by: Property Belongs to Ramamurty. Measurement: East to West 35 ft, North to South 23.6 ft, Total extent of 825 Sq.ft Situated at within the sub-registration district of rajajinagar and registration district of bangalore north.	27-10-2023 & 2115182	13.02.2024

Date - 16.02.2024, Place - Bangalore **Authorized officer,Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd**

THE NATIONAL CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD

Administrative Office: No.73/1, Gandhi Bazaar Main Road, Bangalore - 560 004.
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NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY THROUGH PRIVATE TREATY

SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSET CHARGED TO THE BANK UNDER THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002. (SARFAESI ACT)

The undersigned as Authorised Officer of The National Co Operative Bank Limited has taken over possession of the schedule properties u/s 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act.

Public at large is informed that the secured properties as mentioned in the Schedule is available for sale through Private Treaty at The National Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Administrative Office, No. 73/1 Gandhi Bazar Main Road, Bengaluru-560004. as per the terms agreeable to the Bank for realisation of Bank's dues as on 31-01-2024 with future interest and costs due to The National Co Operative Bank Limited, on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS".

Sl. No.	Name and address of borrowers & Mortgagors and guarantors / sureties	Debt due (as on 31.01.2024 plus future interest from 01.02.2024 and other charges, costs from thereon.)	Description of the Property	Reserve Price And EMD	Date & Time of Auction	Name & Ph. No. Branch Managers
1)	**(1). M/s. Pactec India.** Office at-No.238/1, 5th Main Road, Near Vishal Mega Mart, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018., **(2) Sri. Ramanath Hegde., (3) Smt.Jayalakshmi R Hegde** Residing at No. 981, 1st Floor, Rajendra Prasad Road, Girinagara 2nd Phase, Bengaluru-560085	**Rs. 2,66,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Sixty Six Lakhs Only)**	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No 26, New No 57, Survey No.114/2, 3rd Main, Kaveri Nagara, Kathriguppe Village, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085, Owned by Sri. Ramanath Hegde, Measuring East to West 60.00 Feet, North to South 20 feet, **Totally Measuring 1,200 Sq. Ft.** and bounded on as follows: **East by** : Road, **West by** : Property No.12. **North by** : Remaining portion of same Property No.26, **South by** : Property No.25.	**Reserve Price :Rs. 1,15,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Fifteen Lakhs Only)** ---------- **EMD Amount : Rs. 11,50,000/- (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only)**	06-03-2024 10.30 AM	**Smt. Rama S, Assistant General Manager, Gandhi Bazar Branch. Ph : 7349784526 26607778**
2)	**(1) Sri. Manoj Kumar (2) Smt. Archana Kumar** Flat No. ET8, 3rd Floor, SVS Anandanilayam, Sy No 93 & 103, Kowdenahalli, K. R. Puram, Bengaluru 560016.	**Rs. 44,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Only)**	**Schedule A :**All that part and parcel of converted land vide No.A.L.N.(E)S.R. 102/09-10 Dated 04.02.2010 bearing Sy No. 93 (measuring 20 Guntas) and Sy No. 103 (measuring 1 acre 17.5 Guntas) Present BBMPKhatha No. 1, Kowdenahalli, K.R.Puram, Bengaluru. Measuring 84,397.5 Sq. Ft. and bounded as follows: East by : 40 Feet Road & Partly remaining land in Sy. No. 93, West by : Remaining Land in Sy. No. 93 &Sy. No. 103, North by : Land bearing Sy. No. 103, South by: Land Sy. No. 93 &Sy. No. 103. **Schedule B : Flat No. ET8, 3rd Floor, "SVS Ananda Nilayam",** Sy No. 93 & 103, Khatha No. 1, Kowdenahalli, K.R.Puram, Bengaluru 560016 **with super built up area 1485 Sq. Ft., and Undivided share of Land measuring 560 Sq. ft.**	**Reserve Price : Rs.57,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakhs only)** ---------- **EMD Amount : Rs.5,70,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Seventy Thousand only)**	06-03-2024 11.30 AM	**Smt. Vani A, Assistant Manager, Electronic City Branch Ph : 9901985934. 25734477**

Standard terms & conditions for sale of property through Private Treaty are as under:

1) Sale through Private Treaty will be on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" ,"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" ,"WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" and " NO RECOURSE BASIS".
2) The purchaser will be required to deposit 25% of the sale consideration on the next working day of receipt of Bank's acceptance of offer for purchase of property and the remaining amount within 15 days thereafter.
3) The purchaser has to submit an application on or before Auction Date quoting the offered amount for purchase of the scheduled property which shall not be less than the Reserve Price fixed by the Bank along with the 10% (EMD) of the offered amount which will be adjusted against 25% of the deposit to be made as per clause (2) above.
4) Failure to remit the amount as required under clause (2) above, will cause forfeiture of amount already paid including 10% of the amount paid along with application.
5) In case of non- acceptance of offer of purchase by the Bank, the amount of 10% paid along with the application will be refunded without any interest.
6) The property is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether known or unknown to the Bank. The Authorised Officer / Secured Creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims / rights / dues.
7) The purchaser should conduct due diligence on all aspects related to the property (under sale through Private Treaty) to his satisfaction. The purchaser shall not be entitled to make any claim against the Authorised Officer / Secured Creditor in this regard at a later date.
8) The Bank reserves the right to reject any offer of purchase without assigning any reason.
9) In case of more than one offer, the Bank will accept the highest offer.
10) The interested parties may contact the Authorized Officer for further details / clarifications and for submitting their application.
11) The purchaser has to bear all stamp duty, registration fee and other expenses, taxes, duties in respect of purchase of the property.
12) This is also notice to the (Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor) of the aforesaid loan dues about holding of auction sale on above mentioned date if the dues are not repaid in full.
13) The Bidders should present 15 minutes before the start of Auction.
14) Sale shall be in accordance with the provisions of SARFAESI Act / Rules.
15) Bid Increment value **Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only)**

Place of auction : The National Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Administrative Office, No. 73/1 Gandhi Bazar Main Road, Bengaluru-560004.
Note: The intending bidders may contact concerned Branch managers for ascertaining the details of property and also for inspection of property.

Date: 15.02.2024
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The National Co-Operative Bank Ltd

HEZBOLLAH COMMANDER AMONG 10 DEAD IN ISRAELI STRIKE ON LEBANON

Ali al-Debs was already wounded in an Israeli drone strike on Feb 8; cross-border violence toll raises to 259 in Lebanon

BEIRUT

A Hezbollah commander, two other fighters and seven civilians were killed in an Israeli strike in south Lebanon's Nabatiyeh, a security source said on Thursday, raising the toll from a raid a day earlier.

The deaths brought to 10 the total number of civilians killed in Israeli strikes on Wednesday, the highest such toll since cross-border hostilities began in October, further raising fears of a broader conflict between Israel and militant group Hezbollah.

The Hezbollah commander, Ali al-Debs, had already been wounded in an Israeli drone strike in the southern Lebanon city of Nabatiyeh on February 8, the security source said. Two other Hezbollah fighters who were on the ground floor with Debs and "seven civilians from the same family" on the building's first floor were also killed in Wednesday's strike.

The Israeli army said on Wednesday a soldier was killed in unclaimed rocket fire from Lebanon and that its jets carried out strikes on Lebanon.

The official National News Agency had previously identified five of the dead civilians in Nabatiyeh as Hussein Barjawi, his two daughters, his sister and his grandson. His wife and niece were also killed.

The cross-border violence has killed at least 259 people on the Lebanese side, including inclduing Hezbollah fighters and 40 civilians. On the Israeli side, 10 soldiers and six civilians have been killed, said the Israeli army. *AFP*

A picture taken from southern Israel on the border with the Gaza Strip shows Israeli soldiers holding up a national flag as they move along the border | PICS: AFP

Palestinians fleeing Khan Younis arrive in Rafah with their belongings in a damaged car as battles raged in the southern Gaza Strip between Israel and Hamas

Israel sends troops into 'besieged' Gaza hospital

GAZA STRIP: Israel sent troops into a hospital in war-torn Gaza on Thursday where it said hostages may have been held, as medics warned the key medical facility was operating in "near impossible" conditions. The raid came after days of intense fighting between troops and Hamas militants around the Nasser Hospital in Khan Younis — one of the largest medical sites in southern Gaza, and one of the few hospitals that are still operational in the territory. *AFP*

March date for hush criminal trial involving Donald Trump

NEW YORK

A NEW YORK judge on Thursday rejected Donald Trump's attempts to dismiss charges of covering up hush money payments to a porn star, setting the stage for the first criminal trial ever of a former US president to begin on March 25.

At the same time, Trump's representatives attended a separate hearing in Atlanta, pushing to have the lead prosecutor bringing charges of election fraud and racketeering against Trump disqualified from the case. They are just two of four criminal cases facing the Republican frontrunner as he campaigns to retake the White House. In the courtroom, Trump's legal team argued he would not receive a fair trial in New York because another Manhattan jury awarded $83 million to E. Jean Carroll, a writer whom Trump was found to have sexually assaulted and defamed.

Judge Juan Merchan rejected that, as well as arguments by Trump's lawyers that there was too much media coverage for a jury to be unbiased. *AP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client is intending to purchase the below mentioned property from Sri. H. Shankar, 63 years, S/o. Honnaiah, No.255, Flat No.202, Kuteera Vaibhav, 13th Main, WOC Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore-86.

Any person/s having/asserting any right, title, interest, claim over the Schedule property, may contact the undersigned with all relevant papers/title deeds and submit their objections in writing, immediately, failing which our client would proceed to complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Residential Site No.257, formed by Athmiya Gelayara Balaga Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha Niyamitha, in various Survey Numbers of Chikkasandra Village, Yeshwantpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West 30 ft. & North to South 40 ft. bounded on East by Site No.256, West by Site No.258, North by Road, South by Site No.262

Bangalore, Dated: 15.02.2024

S. RAMESH KUMAR, Advocate
No. 231, 1st Floor, Lakshmi Nivasa, S. C. Road, Gandhinagar, Bangalore - 09. Mobile : 9845359588

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY

NOTICE is hereby given that **M/S Classic Featherlite Waterfront Developers LLP** is willing to sell the schedule property in favour of my Client **Mr. Rajeev Agile Ravishankar** free from all encumbrances. Any person having any right, title, interest, claim or demand of any nature whatsoever in respect of the said property, is hereby required to make the same known in writing along with the documentary proof thereof, to the below mentioned his Counsel Mr. RADESH .K, Office at Third Floor, Above Favara Car World, SMN Complex, Whitefield Main Road, Thubarahalli, Bangalore. within 07 days from the date of publication hereof, failing which the negotiations shall be completed, without any reference to such claims and the claims if any, shall be deemed to have been given up or waived.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing Plot No: 495 measuring 178.93 Square Meters in the Layout known as "THE SANCTUARY IV", formed in (Old Sy.No: 28/1) New Sy.No: 28/3 measuring 36 Guntas and (Old Sy.No: 32) New Sy.No: 32/1 measuring 2 Acres, Situated at Gonighattapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District.

Contact : **Mr. RADESH BE,** LL.B, LL.M
Director : MKM Legal Solutions Pvt Ltd.
e-mail id: radesh@mkmlegalsolutions.com
Contact No. : +91 9035197970

IN THE COURT OF THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE: BENGALURU RURAL DIST. AT BENGALURU
C. Misc. No.1224/2023

Between: MANJULA, D/o. Venkataswamaiah, Grand Daughter of Abbayya, Aged about 30 years, R/at. No. 737, Govindappa Building, Balajinagar, Hebbagodi, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru-560099. ...Petitioner.

And: The Tahsildhar, Registrar of Birth & Deaths Bengaluru South Tq. ...Respondent.

PAPER PUBLICATION/PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above Petitioner has filed the Petition for issue of Death Certificate of deceased who is the Grand Father to the Petitioner named Sri. ABBAIYYA S/o. Late. Thayappa as he died on 01.06.1970 at Doddathoguru Village, Bengaluru South Taluk, the same is required for documentation purpose.

Any person interest in this matter, may appear before the above court at **11.00 a.m.** on **14.03.2024** to which date the case is posted for hearing before the Hon'ble C.J.M. Bengaluru Rural Dist, Bengaluru.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Court this the day of 15/2/2024

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Sheristedar
Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate
Bangalore Rural District Bangalore

Advocate for Petitioner:
R. PAPAIAH REDDY, Advocate,
No.451, Gururaja Layout, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Doddanekkundi

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE NOTICE

The General public and parties to the case is hereby informed that the below mentioned Advocate has been appointed as Court Commissioner by the Hon'ble City Civil & Sessions Judge, Bengaluru (CCH-10) in F.D.P. 36/2013 to conduct Public Auction Sale in respect of the below mentioned schedule property on **21-02-2024 at 11:00 A.M.** on the spot of the schedule property as per the Hon'ble Court order.

The reserve price of the schedule property is fixed at **Rs. Two Crores Fifty Lakhs**

Therefore, I hereby call upon the General Public and also parties of the case to participate in the Pubic Auction Sale on **21-02-2024 at 11:00 A.M at the schedule property.** The successive Bidder has to be deposited 25% of the Bid amount by way of D.D. with a Court Commissioner on the same day or next day The D.D. is in the name of **The Register, City Civil Court, Bengaluru** and the balance sale amount shall be deposited as directed by the Hon'ble Court within stipulated period fixed, after Court Sale on 28-02-2024 at 11:00 A.M. in the above mentioned Court.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the house property bearing No.191, situated 17th Cross, 10th Main, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-560 030, measuring 30 ft x 50 ft and consisting of Ground, First and Second Floors and bounded on: **East by :** House No.182, **West by:** Road, **North by :** House No.192, **South by:** House No.190

RAMACHANDRA, Advocate
#89, (old #1834), 1st Floor, 3rd Cross, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003. Mobile: 94485 57717
E-mail: ramachandrayeliyur@gmail.com
Date:14-02-2024

IN THE COURT OF THE 30th ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
C.MISC.NO. 469/2024

BETWEEN: 1) RAMESH BABU. K.A. S/O. ASWATHA REDDY. K. Aged about 47 years, **2) KARTHIK REDDY. K.R,** S/O. RAMESH BABU. K.A. Aged about 20 years, **3) PURNIMA REDDY. K.R.** S/O. RAMESH BABU. K.A. Aged about 17 years, Minor R/by Father RAMESH BABU. K.A residing at No.16, Sai Jyothi Layout, Singanayakanahalli village, BENGALURU 560064. ...PETITIONERS

AND: THE COMMISSIONER REGISTRAR OF BIRTHS & DEATHS YELAHANKA ZONE B.B.M.P.-BENGALURU ...RESPONDENT

PAPER PUBLICATION/PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above petitioners has filed the petition for obtaining an order to issue death certificate of the deceased, Mother to the petitioner No. 1 to 3 the deceased herein named as SMT. JYOTHI, W/O. RAMESH BABU. K. A, as she died on 14.10.2012 at SHUSHRUSHA HOSPITAL, YELAHANKA BENGALURU. and accordingly to obtain death certificate from the respondent

If any person interested to file their objection in this matter, may appear at **11.00. a.m on 22.03.24** to which date the case is posted for hearing, before the Hon'ble A.C.M.M. Bengaluru

Given under my hand and the seal of this court this the day of 14.02.2024

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/- Sheristedar
XXX ACMM Court Bangalore

ADVOCATE FOR PETITIONERS
S. Kalavathi

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mrs. Kundala Venkata Madhavi** D/o. Mr. K. Jagannadha Rao, Aged about 43 Years, R/at. No. 49-5-5/7, 2nd floor, S-2, Sakshi Office, Akkayyapalem, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Predesh-530016, is intending to purchase the Schedule property from its owner, **Sri. Chethan.N,** aged about 42 years, S/o. Late. P. Narasimhamurthy, R/at. No. 64, Pooja, 1st Cross, HAL 3rd Stage, Thippasandra, Bengaluru-560075, for Valuable Consideration. Any persons having any rights/claims/objections/Minor Claims, in respect of the schedule property are hereby requested to send their objections to the above mentioned address within 7 days, from the receipt of the this public notice. If no objections are forth coming within 7 days, my client shall get executed sale deed in her favour.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing vacant Site No. 30, formed in Property No. 354, House list Katha No. 225/9, BBMP Khata No. 9105, Situated at Kalkere Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, Presently said property comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 40 feet in all measuring 2400 Sq feet And bounded on:-

East by : Site No.9,
West by : 30 Feet Road
North by : Site No. 31,
South by : Site No. 29.

Mr. Manjunath Reddy,
Smt. T. Shobha Reddy,
No. 8/7, Mega City BEML Layout Road, Maragondanahalli Main Road, K.R. Puram Post, Bangalore-36.
Ph:- 9845520830, 8867273067, 6363803525

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public that the property described in the schedule hereunder is being purchased from **Smt. Usha W/o Munimaregowda**. If any person having any right, interest or claim against the Schedule Property should send their claim in writing to the undersigned along with documentary proof within 7 days of publication of the said Notice, failing which, claims if any shall be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

Part and parcel of the Plot Property No.199, Maruthi Nagar Govt Sy. No.10 Present BBMP record 184 Ward Number, Gubbalalla Village Khata No 10/290 Municipal Property No. 14/10/290 measuring East to West 20 Feet and North to South 20 Feet, bounded by

East by: Property of Basappa; West by: Road; North by: Remaining portion of the plot; South by: Property of Venkata ramana.

And Plot Property No.199, Maruthi Nagar Govt Sy. No.10 Present BBMP record 184 Ward Number, Gubbalalla Village Khata No 10/200 Municipal Property No. 10/200 measuring East to West 10 Feet and North to South 20 Feet, both Situated at Gubbalalla Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Bangalore bounded as follows: East by: Property of Basappa; West by: Road; North by: Road; South by: Remaining portion of the plot.

AMRUTHA SARODE
ADVOCATE, No. 204/C, 27th Cross, 6th Main, 3rd Block, Jayanagar BANGALORE – 560 011.
PH: 080-224554533

ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರಾದ **ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ. ಆನಂದ ರಾಜ್**, ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ಡಿ. ಜಯರಾಜ್, ಮನೆ ನಂ.27, ಆರ್.ಬಿ.ಐ ಲೇಔಟ್, ಗೌತಮ್ ಹೌಸಿಂಗ್ ಸೊಸೈಟಿ, ಕೊತ್ತನೂರು ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, 8ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, ಜೆ.ಪಿ.ನಗರ 8ನೇ ಫೇಸ್, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು- 560 078 ರವರು ಕ್ರಯಪತ್ರದ ಪುಸ್ತಕ 1, ಸಿಡಿ ನಂ.277 ರಲ್ಲಿ ದಾಖಲಾಗಿರುವ 17575/2006–07ನೇ ನಂಬರಾಗಿ ನೋಂದಣಿಯಾಗಿರುವ ಶುದ್ಧ ಕ್ರಯಪತ್ರವು ಶ್ರೀ ಪುರುಷೋತ್ತಮ್ ರವರಿಂದ ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರ ಹೆಸರಿನ ಜೆ. ಆನಂದರಾಜ್‌ರವರಿಗೆ ಆಗಿರುವ ಶುದ್ಧ ಕ್ರಯಪತ್ರದ ಅಸಲಿ (ORIGINAL) ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಕಳೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ವಿವರ : ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಬೇಗೂರು ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಜೆ. ಹನುಮಂತನಗರ, ಅರಕೆರೆ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಪ್ರಾಪರ್ಟಿ ನಂ.88/3/1, ಬೊಮ್ಮನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಸಿ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ ಸೆಲ್ ಅಸೆಸ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಟ್ರ್ಯಾಕ್ ಪೇಜ್ ಫಾರಂ ನಂ.3 (ರೂಲ್ 20), ಎಸ್. ಎಲ್. ನಂ.979, ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ನಂ.88/3/1 ರ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ಪೂರ್ವ ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ : 18–0 ಅಡಿಗಳು, ಉತ್ತರ ದಕ್ಷಿಣ : 30–0 ಅಡಿಗಳು, ಒಟ್ಟು ಅಳತೆ 540 ಚದರ ಅಡಿಗಳ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿಗೆ ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ – **ಪೂರ್ವಕ್ಕೆ** : ಖಾಸಗಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತು, **ಪಶ್ಚಿಮಕ್ಕೆ** : ರಾಮಕೃಷ್ಣರವರಿಗೆ ಸೇರಿದ ಸ್ವತ್ತು, **ಉತ್ತರಕ್ಕೆ** : ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ಸುನಂದರವರ ಸ್ವತ್ತು, **ದಕ್ಷಿಣಕ್ಕೆ** : ರಸ್ತೆ. ಆದಾಗಿ, ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರು ಹೇಳಿರುವಂತೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 01/02/2024 ರಂದು ಕೊತ್ತನೂರು ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಜೆರಾಕ್ಸ್ ಮಾಡಿಸುವಾಗ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಕ್ರಯಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಕಳೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ ಎಷ್ಟೆ ಹುಡುಕಿದರೂ ಸಿಗದಿದ್ದ ಕಾರಣ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 13/02/2024 ರಂದು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಸಿಟಿ, ಪೋಲೀಸ್ ಕ್ರೈಂ ಠಾಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ದೂರನ್ನು (ರಿಪೋರ್ಟ್ ನಂ.0929593/2024) ದಾಖಲಿಸಿದ್ದು, ಯಾರಿಗಾದರೂ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ದಾಖಲೆ ಸಿಕ್ಕಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ತಮ್ಮ ವಶದಲ್ಲಿದ್ದರೆ ಈ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ **ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡ 15 ದಿನಗಳ** ಒಳಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕೆಳ ಸಹಿದಾರರಿಗೆ ತಲುಪಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, ಇಲ್ಲವಾದಲ್ಲಿ ನನ್ನ ಕಕ್ಷಿದಾರರಾದ ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ. ಆನಂದ ರಾಜ್ ರವರ ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ನಂ.9632776497 ಕರೆ ಮಾಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, ನಾವು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಸಮಯ ಮುಗಿದ ನಂತರ ಯಾರಿಗಾದರೂ ಸಿಕ್ಕಲ್ಲಿ ಅದು ಊರ್ಜಿತವಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂಬುದಾಗಿ ತಿಳಿಯತಕ್ಕದ್ದು.

ಜಿ. ಆರ್. ರಾಜಣ್ಣ, ವಕೀಲರು ಮತ್ತು ನೋಟರಿ
ನಂ.7, ರೇಷ್ಮನಗರ, ಬನಶಂಕರಿ 6ನೇ ಹಂತ
ಕನಕಪುರ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು 560 062
ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ನಂ.9886441010.

ODISHA MINING CORPORATION LIMITED
OMC House, Bhubaneswar-751001, Odisha
CIN: U13100OR1956SGC000313, www.omcltd.in

E-auction Notice (19.02.2024 – 155th & 156th E-auction) IRON ORE CLO & FINES

CAD-4123: The Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd intends to sell various grades of Iron ore CLO & Fines produced at Daitari and Gandhamardan Regions (Block – A & B) and Guali, Jilling Langalota, Tiringpahar, Khandbandh, Banspani, Unchabali (Mahaparbat) & Roida 'C' Mines of Barbil Region in Keonjhar District and Khandadhar/Kurmitar Mines under Koira Region in Sundargarh District, Odisha through e-auction which will be conducted by MSTC Ltd. The e-auction shall be held from **11.00 A.M. to 2.00 P.M on 19.02.2024**

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OIPR- 30005/11/0273/2324 Sd/- GENERAL MANAGER (S&M)

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O- **Short Tender Call Notice for Building work in Odisha**

No. 464 // **Bid Identification No. Building Online AGL- 46/2023-24** Dt. 9.2.2024 //

1. Name of the work : Building work
2. Total No. of work : 1 No.
3. Estimated cost : Rs.105.51 Lakh Approx.
4. Class of Contractor : 'B', 'A' Class
5. Period of completion : 12(Twelve) Calendar Months
6. Other details :

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Available of Tender on-line for bidding		Last Date & Time of seeking tender clarification	Date & time of opening of tender	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Angul	Building Online AGI-46/2023-24	17.02.24 at 10.00 A.M	23.02.24 up to 4.30 P.M	22.02.24 up to 1.00 P.M	23.02.24 at 5.00 P.M	Will be intimated separately

(1) For detailed Notice inviting Tenders, Please visit to the website www.tendersorissa.gov.in

OIPR-25180/11/0068/2324 Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Angul

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, P.H. DIVISION, BALANGIR.
Email. ID -eephbgr@yahoo.co.in, Ph. No - (06652 - 234647)

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement

C- **Invitation for Bid (IFB) Dtd.09.02.2024**

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Bid Identification No.	Estimated Cost (Rs. in Lakh)	Class of Contractor	Period of Completion	Availability of Bid Document for Online Bidding	
1.	Supply of ISI Marked DIK7 and K9 pipes in connection with the work Augmentation of water supply system along with ancillary work for Binika Town.	SE PH BGR 13/2023-24 Dt. 09.02.2024	303.78	Manufacturer	1 Month	14.02.2024	28.02.2024

Name & Adress of Officer Inviting Bid: **The Superintending Engineer, Office Of The Superintending Engineer, Public Health Division, Balangir, At-Tulasinagar, PO/Dist-Balangir, Pin-767001, Odisha, Phone:-06652-234647, E-mail:-eephbgr@yahoo.co.in**

• Further details can be seen from the e-Procurement portal "https://www.tenderodisha.gov.in.
• All amendments, time extension, clarifications etc. will be uploaded in the website only. Bidders should regularly visit the above website to keep themselves updates.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer
P.H. Division, Balangir

OIPR- 13005/11/0017/2324

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Website : https://karnatakabank.com
CIN : L85110KA1924PLC001128

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the Authorised Officer of **KARNATAKA BANK LIMITED**, under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued the Demand Notices, details of which are mentioned hereunder, calling upon the borrowers/mortgagors/guarantors/co-obligants mentioned therein to repay the total amount mentioned in the demand notice along with future interest within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices.

1. **Name of Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors/Co-obligants :– (1) M/s Astalakshmi Enterprises, Represented by its Proprietor Mr. Muniraj C, Addressed at :** No.61, 3rd Cross, 1st Stage, AGB Layout, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru – 560086, **(2) Mr. Muniraj C,** S/o Chinnanna B.Y, **(3) Mrs. Veena V,** W/o Muniraj C, **No.2 & 3 are addressed at :** No.61, 3rd Cross, 1st Stage, AGB Layout, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru – 560086.

Branch Name: Bengaluru – Mahalakshmipuram **Date of Demand Notice: 04.10.2023**

Amount Demanded: Rs.42,01,620.00 [Rupees Forty Two Lakhs One Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Only] under PSOD A/c No.1127000600065001 along with future interest from 01.10.2023 plus costs.

Date of taking Possession: 13.02.2024

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.44,67,792.00 [Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Two Only] under PSOD A/c No.1127000600065001 along with future interest from 01.02.2024, plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of the Residential vacant **site bearing No.208, measuring 1500 Sq.ft [East to West – 30 feet and North to South – 50 feet],** carved out of land bearing Sy.No's 9, 10/1, 10/2, 10/3, 10/4, 11/1, 11/2, 12/1, 12/2, 13, 14/1, 14/2, 14/3, 14/4, 14/6, 16/1, 16/2, 16/3, 17, 18, 19, 21/1, 21/2, 21/3, 21/4, 21/5, 21/6, 22, 49 and 50, situated at 2nd Main Road, 3rd Stage in private layout formed by Athmeeya Geleyara Balaga Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Sangha Ltd, Chikkasandra Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, **belonging to Mr. Muniraj C. Boundaries of property as per Document :East :** Site No.209, **West :** Site No.207, **North :** C.A Site, **South :** Road.

2. **Name of Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors/Co-obligants : (1) Mr. Muniraj C,** S/o Chinnanna B.Y, **(2) Mrs. Veena V ,** W/o Muniraj C, **Both are addressed at :** No.61, 3rd Cross, 1st Stage, AGB Layout, Mahalakshmi Layout, Bengaluru – 560086,

Branch Name: Bengaluru – Mahalakshmipuram **Date of Demand Notice: 22.09.2023**

Amount Demanded: Rs.1,91,67,947.83 [Rupees One Crore Ninety One Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Seven and Paisa Eighty Three Only] under TL A/c No.1127001600352201 along with future interest from 25.08.2023 plus costs.

Date of taking Possession: 13.02.2024

Balance outstanding as on the date of possession: Rs.1,99,59,059.83 [Rupees One Crore Ninety Nine Lakhs Fifty Nine Thousand Fifty Nine and Paisa Eighty Three Only] under TL A/c No.1127001600352201 along with future interest from 25.01.2024, plus costs.

Description of the Immovable Property : All that part and parcel of the Residential property bearing **property No.142/A, New Municipal No.142/A, PID No.12-150-142/A, measuring 216 Sq.meters or 2325 Sq.ft** [East to West – 12 meters and North to South – 18 meters], with partially constructed building thereon, situated at 2nd Cross, Rajeev Gandhinagar (Nandini) Layout, formed by BDA, BBMP Ward No.43(12), Bengaluru, **belonging to Mr. Muniraj C and Mrs. Veena V. Boundaries of property as per Document :East :** Site No.142/B, **West :** Site No.142, **North :** Road, **South :** Site No.127.

The borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties, as described herein above, in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on **13.02.2024**

The borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors/ co-obligants in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned herein above and any dealings with the said properties will be subject to the charge of **Karnataka Bank Ltd.,** for amounts as described herein above.

[The attention of the borrowers/mortgagors/ guarantors co-obligants / legal heirs is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.]

Place: Bengaluru
Date : 13.02.2024

Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer
For Karnataka Bank Ltd.,

IN THE COURT OF THE 26th ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRTE AT BENGALURU
C.MISC. No. 1264/2023

BETWEEN: 1. Yashodha Shedthi W/o Late Kushal Shetty, Aged about 62 years, **2. Sujatha,** D/o Late Kushal Shetty, Aged about 40 years, **3. Sumangala** D/o Late Kushal Shetty, Aged about 38 years, **4. Shamika** D/o Late Kushal Shetty, Aged about 32 years, All are residing at: Hengavalli Village, Kundapura Taluk, Udupi District. Also at Anugraha Chakravarthi, Layout, Palace Guttahalli, Bengaluru...**PETITIONERS**

AND: The Health Commissioner, Registrar of Birth & Deaths, BBMP Bengaluru .....**RESPONDENT**

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above named petitioners has filed the above petition in Crl.Misc.No.1264 for issue of death certificate of deceased SUPRITHA W/o Ravi Raj Shetty who is daughter to the Petitioner No.1 and Sister to the other petitioners. The deceased named as SUPRITHA W/o Ravi Raj Shetty as is died on 14.09.2016 at No. 19, 1st Floor, Milk Man Street, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560008, is required for the documentation purpose and to maintain family status quo. Any person interested and having any objection in this matter may appear before the above court at 26th Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate on **21.02.2024** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 19/01/2024

By order of the Court, Sheristedar, 26th ACMM Court, Bengaluru

Advocate for Petitioner: **SAIRA H**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all and whomsoever it may concern that my client - Banks / Financial Institutions is/are considering to sanction loan to the Loan Applicant/s by accepting the schedule property, as collateral security. The schedule property presently belongs to **Sri M D Elangovan** S/o Sri Dayalan. The present owner informs that he has lost the original sale deed executed by **Smt. Nanjamma** in favour of Smt. E Uma Devi, vide Sale Deed No.KRI-1-00430/2007-08 of Book-I, CD No.KRID297, Dated 11.05.2007, registered in the office of the Sub Registrar, Krishnarajapura, Bangalore. In the said regard, the present owner lodged a complaint with HAL Airport Police Station, through e-lost report on 15.02.2024.

If any other person/s / authorities has/have any manner of right, title, interest, demand, claim, charge or lien over the schedule property, they are hereby requested to file their objections to the Mortgage of the said schedule property to the Financial Institutions / Banks and shall inform/object the same in writing along with the photocopies of the documents relied for such claim/objections, through the registered post with acknowledgement due to the undersigned **within 10 days** from the date of publication of this notice.

If no valid claim/objection is received by the undersigned as aforesaid, my client Banks / Financial Institutions shall proceed to accept the schedule property as collateral security and create mortgage for having sanctioned the loan to the Loan Applicant, deeming that no one else has/have any manner of right or claim or interest whatsoever over the schedule property

SCHEUDLE PROPERTY

All that piece & parcel of the property bearing Site No.10, Old HASB Khatha No.415/2, New K.R.Pura CMC Khatha No.1406, measuring East to WEsgt 40 ft. and North to South 28+25/2 ft.in all measuring 1060 sq. ft. situated at Annasandrapalya (L.B.Shastri Nagar), Vibhuthipura Dhakale, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, earlier Bangalorae South Taluk and bounded on the **East by** : Road, **West by** : House Site No.19, **North by** : Road , **South by** : House Site No.11

RAGHAVENDRA P HOGADE ADVOCATE
No.186/8, 1st Floor, Sirur Park Road, Behind Nataraj Theatre, Seshadripuram, Bangalore – 560 020

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Srideepthi Shivashankara Bhat,** aged about 30 years, D/o Shivashankara CN, residing at Bengaluru, Karnataka, do hereby declare that my names mentioned as **Srideepthi Shivashankar Bhat, Srideepthi S Bhat, Srideepthi Bhat** and **Srideepthi Shivashankara Bhat** are all one and the same and it belongs to me only, vide affidavit dated 22/12/2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **JAIN SWARNAMALA** at Bangalore.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice No. ECN-01-2024

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites E-Tenders for the following work:

Name of work	Approx. Value
I. Electrical arrangements for New Station Building, FOB-1 No., PF Shelter-3 No's including lighting arrangements, circulating area lighting at Haveri Station (Phase-II & Phase-III) and Electrification of New Platform Shelter-1 No. at Byadgi Station and other works in Hubballi - Chikjajur Section. **II.** Electrification of Newly Constructed Staff Quarters at Ammasandra (Type II-6 units) & Honnavalli Road (Type II-4 units) and other works in between Tumakuru (TK) and Arsikere (ASK) Section. **III.** Rewiring of existing Bislehalli and Kanivehalli Stations, Extension of 3 phase power supply to Kanivehalli Station in between Kadur (DRU) - Chikkamagaluru (CMGR) Section.	Rs. 89,58,648/-

Last date for submission of bids for: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 04-03-2024**

For details log on : www.ireps.gov.in
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Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer (Construction), Bengaluru

PUB/688/AAD/PRB/SWR/2023-24
South Western Railway - SWR | SWRRLY | SWRRLY

IN THE COURT OF THE VI ADDL. PRINCIPAL JUDGE, FAMILY COURT BENGALURU
M.C. No.3256/2023

SRI. MANIMARAN D. ...Petitioner
AND : Smt. R.Deepa, W/o Sri. Manimaran D, D/o Sri. Rajendran, Chandrappa Hotel, Balaji Theatre Road, Malur-563130
Also residing at: No. 238, 4th Main, 1st Cross, Anandagiri Layout, Hebbal, Bangalore-560024. ...**Respondent**

NOTICE UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE, 1908

WHERE AS THE, the Petitioner have filed the above Petition for dissolution of marriage against the respondent under section 13(1) (1a) (1b) of the Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 and other relief's.

Through this Paper Publication it is hereby called upon to the respondent to appear on **01.04.2024** by personally or through their Advocate in order to contest the claim of the Petitioner; failing which in your absence above case will be decided exparte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Hon`ble court on this 31st January 2024.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT.
(Sd/-) Snr. Shiresthedar,
Family Court, Bangaluru

D B SATISH
SMT. SUGUNA S BABU. Advocates,
25,2nd Floor, 4th Cross Sampige Road Malleswaram, Bangalore-560003
Ph:9900595252 / e.mail:satishdb28@gmail.com

IN THE COURT OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT, AT DODABALLAPUR
R.P. No. 20/2016

PETITIONER: ITC Ltd. having Office at Virginia House, No.37, Chowringee, Kolkata-700 071.

And Branch Office at No.18 Banaswadi Main Road, Maruti Seva Nagar, Cox Town, Bengaluru- 560 005.

-V/s-

RESPONDENTS: Sri Chandrappa and others.

To, **Smt. Kavitha,** W/o Lalchand, aged about 63 years, residing at No. 270, 7th Block, 36th Cross, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 065 ... **RESPONDENT No. 4**

Sri. Ramesh, S/o late Sugunamal, aged about 64 years, residing at 'A' Portion, No. 270, 7th Block, 36th A' Cross, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 011. ... **RESPONDENT NO. 5**

Whereas ITC Ltd., has filed a petition against you above named and others for setting aside the Order dated 28-04-2014 passed by the Hon'ble Deputy Commissioner, Dodaballapur Sub-Division, Bengaluru, in R.A. (D) 16/2010-11 and consequently dismissing the Appeal in R.A. (D) 16/2010-11 and restoring the mutation entries in MR No. 37/90-91 and MR No. 38/95-96. You are hereby summoned to appear before this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, or who shall be accompanied by some person, able to answer all such questions, on the **27-02-2024** at 11:00 A.M in the Court of the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Rural District, at Dodaballapur to answer the claim.

Take notice that, in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the petition will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court on 15-02-2024.

Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Rural District at Dodaballapur.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public/whomsoever it may concern that my client Sri.S.Chandrashekhar S/o late Shambhuvaiah, aged about 54 years, resident of No. 53, 1st Floor, Dhananayakanahalli Road, Ramachandra Circle Bangalore-560 060, is intending to purchase the schedule property from one Mr. Raghavendra Kumar, A., S/o M. Anantha Kumar, aged about 35 years residing at E-50, 2nd Cross, Road, Gopalapura, Magadi Road, Bangalore-560 023, vide Sale Agreement document No. 6975/23-24 Book I, dtd. 31-10-2023 before the Sub-registrar, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore, for a marketable sale consideration. By virtue said Sale Agreement my client has acquired partial right to the schedule property. Now my client availing a loan from Piramal Housing Finance limited. My client further state that any disputes regarding his ownership or possession of the schedule property in future, member of the public are hereby notified, that, if anyone having any adverse claim in respect of the said property hereby advised to place their claim with appropriate written evidences **within 7days** from The date of publication of this notice, with the undersigned, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims and no objections subsist.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immoveable property bearing Site no. 12, Assessment No. 86, PD 150200200300420300, Kodigehalli Village, Panchayath khatha no. 2551/121/12 of BBMP situated at Kodigehalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk measuring east to west towards north 456ft. towards south 56 ft. totally measuring 1440sq.ft., and bounded by **East:** 25ft Road, **West:** Govt. Road, **North :** Site No.12/A belonging to Sri. Mylaralingeshwara Temple Sevabhivrudhi Trust(R), and **South :** Site No. 11 and 13.

ANURADHA. D. Advocate
No. 48.1st Floor, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, T.Dasarahalli, Bangalore

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CORRIGENDUM

The Public Notice published on 13.02.2024 in "The Indian Express" and "Kannada Prabha" Edition on behalf of my client Mrs.D.R.Sunitha, D/o. Late B.N.Nanda Kumar, W/o. Mr.D.A.Raghavendra, Residing at # 158, 9th Cross, Sampige Road, Malleswaram, Bangalore- 560 003, Aadhar No. 7069 2773 0252 pertaining to the said schedule property, the Sale Deed referred in the said Public Notice shall be read as Sale Deed dated 30.12.1991, document No.3067/1991-92, Book I, Volume 195, pages 67-70 and registered at the Office of the Sub Registrar, Yelahanka, Bangalore

N. JAIPRAKASH RAO
VEENA RAO
N.ASHOK KUMAR
JAYPEE ASSOCIATES
"LAW FIRM"
38, "KRISHNA", 1st Cross Malleswaram, BANGALORE-3.
PH: 23560365, 23468742, 23565286
Email: contact@jaypeeassociates.com
BANGALORE DATE: 15.02.2024

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - II AT BANGALORE
New Premises at 4th Floor, Telephone House Building, Rajbhavan Road Bangalore - 560001

Original Application No. 1415/2019

BETWEEN:
Bank of Baroda ...Applicant
AND
Mrs. Suguna H A. & Anr ...Defendants

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To;
3. Mr. Chandramohan Tharsil, S/o. Late Narayanan Nair Tharsil No. 16, Lakshmi Layout, Munneyakolala, Bangalore-560037

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application/interlocutory application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs. 27,51,337.40 /- only** with current and future interest,cost and other reliefs. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of the summons on or before **06/03/2024 10.30 AM** in the forenoon in person or by Pleader/ Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case of default the application/ interlocutory application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **9/11/2023.**

Sd/- Signature of the Officer
(Authorizd to issue Summon)
DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I, BANGALORE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that our client intends to purchase residential Site bearing No.1, bearing VP Katha No.150200400200201394 as per Grama Panchayat Records No. 1221/242/1, measuring North to South on the Eastern side 313 feet, on the Western side 318 feet, East to West on the Northern side 100 feet and on the Southern side 128.5 feet, in all measuring **36,046 Sq ft or 3348.78 Sq Mtr** formed out of Converted Land in Sy No.129 of **Kannur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk** and bounded on

East by :Private Property (Remaining portion of Survey No.129);
West by :Site Nos.2 to 11(Carved out of Survey No.129);
North by :60 feet wide Road
South by :Private Property (Property bearing Survey No.167).

From its Owners **Ms. Kirthi Mohan Manghnani** and **Ms. Sargam Mohan Manghnani** both Daughters of Dr. Mohan Manghnani.

Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections / claims with documentary evidence within **7 days** from the date of this publication to the undersigned.

Geetha Halliyal, Advocate,
42 High Street, No.775, 2nd Floor, 100 feet Road, Indiranagar,
Mail Id: Geethahalliyal@gmail.com
Bangalore-560038 M: 9980519476

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOST OF DOCUMENTS

Public and financial institutions in general are hereby notified that My client Smt. NAJMA BEGUM, W/o. Mr. Syed Dastagir, residing at No.71, 2nd Main Road, Cauvery Nagar, D.J. Halli, Bangalore 560 045. My client has lost all the original documents in title of the schedule property such as Sale Deed Dated : 25-08-1980, Registered as the Doc No.6258/1980-81, Volume 3259, Pages 27 - 28, registered in the office Sub Registrar Bangalore North Taluk Bangalore, along with General Power Attorney & Declaration: 03-01-1986 in respect of the schedule Property & and same complaint report is been filed bearing Lost Report No. 0928667/2024, If any one finds the said documents he/she/they, may kindly handover the same.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.71/1 (western portion of Site No.71) Assessment No. 109, situated at Kadugondanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Presently known as No. 71/1, 2nd Main, Cauvery Nagar, Muneshwara Nagar, Bangalore, comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP New Ward No.48, Measuring: East to West: 12 Feet, North to South: 30 Feet, total measuring 360 square feet, Bounded on: East By: Remaining Portion of Same Site No.71, West By: Site No.72, North By: Road & South By: Site No.79.

Naushad Ali Khan, Advocate
46, 3rd Main, 4th D Cross, M.M. Layout, Kavalbyrasandra, R.T. Nagar Post, Bangalore - 560 032. Cell No. 88679 31573

SOUTHERN POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY OF TELANGANA LTD

Notice for (Paper Notification)

TSSPDCL is contemplating to opt for Integrated All-in-one Electricity Billing Machines, with latest technologies. Hence, the Vendors who are making/supplying Android Electricity Billing Machines, are requested to participate in the EOI (Expression of Interest), meeting, to be held on 22.02.2024, at 11.30 AM, at Corporate office, TSSPDCL, Mint Compound, Hyderabad-500063, for providing Integrated All-in-one Electricity Billing Machines, with latest technologies. Phone No.040-23431274.

CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER/IT
TSSPDCL

DIPR R.O. No.: 947-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2023-24,Date: 15-02-2024

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
227.55 ▲	Sensex	72,050.38	₹90 ▼	24 carat (10 gm)	₹62,220	₹500 ▲	Per kg	₹74,500	▲ Dollar	83.07
70.70 ▲	Nifty	21,910.75	₹100 ▼	22 carat (10 gm)	₹57,050	₹5 ▲	10 gm	₹745	▲ Euro	89.26

India Inc may use cash, trusts for political funding

Trusts better than Electoral Bonds in curbing use of black money: SC

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

WITH the Supreme Court scrapping the Electoral Bond scheme, focus now shifts to the alternative mode of election funding by India Inc. Experts say election funding would go back to the pre-2017 era when political donations were made either in cash or through the Electoral Trust Scheme 2013.

Even the Supreme Court in its judgement says Electoral Trusts are better than Electoral Bonds in curbing use of black money or protecting the donors from 'political consequences'.

The Electoral Trust scheme was launched in 2013 by the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT). An Electoral Trust is formed only for collecting political contributions from donors. More than one individual or company can contribute to electoral trust, which can then donate to more than one party. However, the information about individuals or companies contributed to which political parties is not disclosed.

Under the scheme, the political party receiving the donation must issue a receipt. Other details like the party's PAN, registration number and name and designation of the person signing the receipt should also be made available to the donor.

Under the Electoral Trust Scheme, voters/parties would know the name of the donors (who make donations over ₹20,000) but not the parties they donated to. While in the case of Electoral Bonds, the names of those donating through electoral bonds are not required to be revealed, no matter how large the sum is.

Bharti-backed Prudent Electoral Trust is the biggest Electoral Trust and has made 88% of the total donations made in the past 10 years. In the 10 year to 2022-23, donations to the tune of ₹2,560 crore were made through Electoral Trusts, while over ₹9,000 crore in political donations were made through electoral bonds from 2017-18 to 2021-22. According to Supreme Court Lawyer Virag Gupta, the political donation scene would go back to the pre-2017 regime, but with some changes.

"After the launch of Electoral Bonds, the government had removed the cap that barred companies from donating more than 7.5% of their average net profit to a political party. This led to even loss-making companies making political donations. This may also change after the SC verdict," says Virag Gupta.

Former chairman of IBBI, ex-member CCI and Sebi, MS Sahoo, says that political parties could also get registered as social enterprises, and raise money by making public issues of zero principal zero coupon bonds, which could be listed on social stock exchanges. However, he says political parties would be subjected to regulatory discipline associated with listing of securities.

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POLL FUNDING IN FOCUS

1. Electoral Trust scheme was launched in 2013 by the Central Board of Direct Taxes for collecting political contributions from donors. Focus turns to it as SC termed Electoral Bonds unconstitutional
2. More than one individual or company can contribute to electoral trust, which can then donate to more than one party for electoral funding
3. Experts say election funding would go back to the pre-2017 era when political donations were made either in cash or through the Electoral Trust Scheme 2013
4. Under the Electoral Trust Scheme, voters/parties would know the name of the donors (who make donations over ₹20,000) but not the parties they donated to. In the case of Electoral Bonds, names of donator are not required to be revealed

Card network asked to stop unauthorised payments by users

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

WITHOUT specifying the name, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Thursday asked a card network to keep arrangements without legal sanction under abeyance. The central bank clarified it has not placed any restriction on normal usage of business credit cards.

It said a card network had an arrangement that enables businesses to make card payments through certain intermediaries, to entities that do not accept card payments. The intermediary accepts card payments from corporates for their commercial payments and then remits the funds via IMPS/RTGS/NEFT to non-card accepting recipients.

"On closer scrutiny, it was observed that this arrangement qualified as a payment system. Under the provisions of Payment and Settlement Systems (PSS) Act, 2007, such payment system requires authorisation under Section 4 of PSS Act, which has not been obtained in the instant case. The activity was, therefore, without legal sanction," the RBI said.

It said the payment mechanism raised other concerns too. The intermediary pooled a large amount of funds into an account, which is not a designated account under PSS Act.

Earlier, it was reported that the RBI asked Visa and Mastercard to stop card-based commercial payments made by small and large businesses due to concerns over KYC compliance. Agencies reported that Visa has acknowledged they have received a communication from the RBI in what appears to be an industry-wide request for information on the role of business payment solution providers (BPSPs) in commercial and business payments. Ankit Ratan, CEO & co-founder at Signzy, said such regulatory hurdles can be avoided by adhering to the regulator's rules and guidelines through innovative KYC solutions.

Axis Bank made undue gains, says plea filed in HC

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

FORMER Member of Parliament and BJP leader Dr Subramanian Swamy has filed a writ petition in the Delhi High Court alleging Axis Bank committing a scam of ₹5,100 crore by making undue gains by way of transactions in shares of Max Life Insurance.

Swamy in his petition has alleged Max Life and Max Financial Services allowed the bank and its group companies (Axis Securities and Axis Capital) to make undue profits/gains from sale/purchase of equity shares in a non-transparent manner in violation of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) rules.

As per the petition, Axis Bank bought 12.002% stake in Maxlife at ₹31.51/₹32.12 per share at a consideration of 736 crore, which is evidently below the fair market value. As per the petition, Axis Bank using its dual relationship as shareholder and corporate agent of Max Life gained substantially from the transactions.

The petition was listed on Thursday before the Bench of Acting Chief Justice Manmohan and Justice Manmeet Pritam Singh Arora. Senior Advocate Rajshekhar Rao appeared on behalf of Dr Swamy.

In an exchange filing, Axis Bank said a public interest writ petition has been filed by Dr Swamy against Union of India, Axis Bank, Axis Securities, Axis Capital and others before the HC in connection with the sale/purchase of shares of Max Life Insurance.

"Axis Bank has obtained all necessary regulatory approvals in connection with these transactions. We will also take required steps to defend Axis Bank against any unfounded allegations," the bank said in the regulatory filing.

Vedanta promoter sells stake worth ₹1,737 cr amid GQG investment rumours

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AMID speculations that US-based boutique investment firm GQG Partners is in talks to buy a $1 billion stake in debt-laden Vedanta, Finsider International Co, a promoter company of Vedanta, sold a 1.76% stake for nearly ₹1,737.2 crore via an open market transaction on Thursday.

However, it was not immediately known to whom the shares were sold.

Earlier exchanged data showed that about 3% equity of the mining company worth ₹2,600 crore changed hands on Thursday.

Finsider, which held a 4.4% stake in the mining company, sold 6.55 crore shares at ₹265.14 apiece, BSE data showed. This is a 5.2% discount to Vedanta Ltd's closing price on Wednesday. The stock closed 4.2% lower at ₹267.95 on Thursday.

UK-based Vedanta Resources held a 63.72% stake in Vedanta Ltd through its six subsidiaries as of December 31, 2023, showed BSE data.

The stake sale by Vedanta comes at a time when the Anil Agarwal-led company is taking big measures to trim down its debt which has ballooned to alarming levels in recent years. At the end of December quarter, Vedanta's consolidated net debt stood at ₹62,493 crore ($7.5 billion). The promoter of the come has been servicing its debt through refinancing and dividends receipts from the highly profitable Indian subsidiary. Chairman Anil Agarwal had also announced plans was to split the company into six entities.

GQG, led by Rajiv Jain, was the first strategic investor in Adani group in the aftermath of Hindenburg Research.

Despite Vedanta's efforts and Agarwal's assurance that the company would meet its debt obligations, S&P Global Ratings had recently downgraded the rating of Vedanta Resources' long-term issuer credit rating and long-term issue ratings on the company's bonds due January 2024, August 2024, and March 2025 to 'CC' from 'CCC'. S&P Global also expressed concerns about the "likelihood of a conventional default".

Jan exports hit 3-month high at $36.92 bn, up 3.12%

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

THE country's exports hit a three-month high at $36.92 billion, a 3.12% rise, in January, with the trade deficit narrowing to a nine-month low of $17.49 billion, the commerce ministry data showed.

Following two consecutive months of negative growth, imports rose by nearly 3% to $54.41 billion in January. "Despite the Red Sea crisis, recession in economies of advanced countries, and falling commodity prices, India has recorded positive growth in merchandise exports in January," Commerce secretary Sunil Barthwal said while briefing the media.

Barthwal expressed initial concerns about potential export declines stemming from the Red Sea crisis. However, he mentioned that export growth was sustained, partly due to collaborative efforts led by the commerce department and other ministries to assist exporters in maneuvering through the challenging circumstances.

Crude oil imports saw a 4.33% rise to nearly $16.56 billion, whereas gold imports surged by about 174% to reach $1.9 billion in January. In addition, from April to January this financial year, exports decreased by 4.89% to $351.92 billion, while imports also declined by 6.71% to $561.12 billion on a cumulative basis.

In January, core exports rose by 2.5% to $26.12 billion, while non-petroleum and non-gems and jewellery imports fell by 5.18% to $33.72 billion. Services exports also saw 17% growth, with a rise to $32.8 billion in January, whereas services imports grew 8.3% to $16.05 billion.

India, UK free trade agreement talks in advanced stage: Commerce secretary

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

NEGOTIATIONS between India and the United Kingdom for the proposed free trade agreement are at an advanced stage, Commerce Secretary Sunil Barthwal said Thursday adding that the deliberations are taking time as India wants to protect its interest.

"India should commercially gain out of it and we should be able to safeguard the interest of our farmers, production linked incentive scheme goods. So, we are there to see the deal is a fair deal," Barhtwal said briefing the media. Barthwal refused to put a timeline for the conclusion of trade talks between both the countries. Notably, the 14th round of talks between India and UK began started on January 10 this year. Meanwhile, commerce ministry officials said the seventh round of talks on India- European Union FTA would take place next week in Delhi from February 19 to 23.

In addition, with regard to India-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF), Rajesh Agrawal, Additional Secretary in the commerce ministry mentioned that the process of reviewing and refining the text related to clean and fair economy agreements is currently in progress.

The supply chain resilience pact is set to be enforced starting February 24 this year.

Besides this, India and Peru are also in talks for a trade agreement and the next round of negotiations is expected to take place from April. "The sixth round of India -Peru negotiations for a Trade Agreement was held from February 12 to 14, 2024, in Lima, Peru, to continue the work that started in 2017 when the negotiation process was formally announced," commerce ministry said.

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BSNL delays 4G launch to December 2024; union proposes to use Vi network

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

AS the state-owned telecom service provider Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) continues to delay its 4G launch, the company's employees union (BSNLEU) has urged the government to temporarily utilise the network of Vodafone Idea Limited (VIL) to provide 4G services to its customers.

In a letter to telecom minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, dated February 13, 2024, the union said both Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel, armed with 5G technology, have started poaching BSNL's customers. Therefore, the delay in BSNL's 4G launch is seriously affecting the company's financial revival.

"The ground reality is that both Jio and Airtel, armed with the state-of-the-art 5G technology, have started poaching BSNL's customers. In this backdrop, the delay in BSNL's 4G launching is seriously affecting the company's financial revival, as envisaged under the revival packages offered by the Government of India," reads the letter.

4G LAUNCH

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The union suggested utilising the Vodafone Idea Limited network because the government is the largest stakeholder in the company. Currently, the Government of India holds a 33.1% stake in Vodafone Idea Limited (Vi) after the accrued interest towards the AGR arrears of Vi was converted into equity in February 2023. UK's Vodafone Plc and India's Aditya Birla Group jointly own 50.4% of India's third-largest telecom operator.

Subsequently, the BSNLEU requested that the government, by utilising its status as the largest shareholder in Vi, ensure that BSNL is allowed to immediately provide 4G service to its customers by utilising the 4G network of Vi.

"This will only be a temporary measure, till BSNL's 4G network is commissioned by TCS. ...This timely intervention, to be made by the Government of India, will go in a big way to stop the massive exodus of BSNL's customers and also to ensure the early revival of BSNL," reads the letter.

Dixon Tech to ramp up smartphone mfg, plans ₹400 crore capex in FY25

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

NOIDA-based contract electronics manufacturer Dixon technologies India Limited plans to ramp up its capacity on the back of strong order book from the existing customers and new pipeline orders from major global brands.

The company has bagged smartphone contracts from two major brands. These brands are among the 'largest in the world' and the production is expected to commence in the next five months. "Agreements with both the customers are in the final stages of closure, and we expect very decent volumes from these two new customers," said Atul Lall, managing director of the company, in a recent earnings call. He said the company produced 11 million smartphones until the end of December 2023.

It's currently building a capacity of 30 million smartphones across three of its four plants in Noida. Additionally, the company is building an 860,000 sq.ft. factory in Noida, which would take nearly 2.5 years to complete. . The company is also increasing the volume for manufacturing Xiaomi and Motorola, including for export markets for the latter. Lall asserted that Dixon would be the largest phone manufacturer in the country and the mobile segment would be the largest contributor to the growth. "Outsourcing opportunities in mobile out of 150-odd million mobile smartphones sold in India is almost 85 million to 90 million. And we feel that in a couple of years, we should at least be at 35%, 40% of that market. So it's going to be a very large revenue contributor."

Dixon Technologies posted an operating profit of ₹104 crore, 215% growth year-on-year with an operating profit margin of 3.2%, and its mobile segment revenue grew 14% in the quarter. The capex of the manufacturer stood around ₹440 crore in the current fiscal and plans to spend about ₹400 crore in the next year. It got selected under the production linked incentive (PLI 2.0) on the domestic hybrid category and has committed a capex of ₹250 crore. It plans to begin the production of notebooks, laptops under new contracts in August, September.

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HCLTech makes 3-day week work from office compulsory for employees starting February 19

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

AFTER TCS, Wipro and Infosys, now HCLTech has made work from the office compulsory for all its employees starting February 19. Though the company has been asking its employees to work thrice a week from the office, in a recent email, it told employees that those who do not follow the directive will face disciplinary action.

"All DFS (Digital Foundation Services) employees, irrespective of their band (E0 and above), will be required to work from their designated HCLTech offices for a minimum of three days a week," Vikas Sharma, global head-people function DFS , HCLTech said in an email to employees on Wednesday.

An employee of HCLTech requesting anonymity said reporting managers have been asked to ensure that employees mandatorily work from office thrice a week as many employees were not following earlier directives.

HCLTech in the third quarter posted a 6.2% y-o-y increase in consolidated net profit at Rs 4,350 crore. Its revenue for the quarter stood at Rs 28,446 crore, up 6.5% y-o-y. The company won 18 large deals- six in services and 12 in software- in the third quarter. Its new deal win during the quarter stood at $1,927 million.

All IT firms are making sure their employees work from office three days a week. Last week, Tata Consultancy Services asked its employees working from home to return to office by March end. It has reportedly said this is the final communication and all employees should work from the office. In October last year, TCS made it mandatory for its employees to WFO for all five days in a week.

EXPRESS READ

Vibhor Steel Tubes IPO booked 300 times

NEW DELHI: The initial share sale of steel pipes manufacturer Vibhor Steel Tubes Ltd subscribed nearly 300 times on the final day on Thursday, driven by overwhelming participation from institutional investors. The portion for non-institutional investors got subscribed by 721.34 times, while the quota for retail individual investors (RIIs) received 188.17 times subscription. The category for qualified institutional buyers (QIBs) attracted bids 178.73 times. *ENS*

Coal India signs PPA with Haryana

NEW DELHI: Coal India Limited (CIL), India's largest coal producer, signed a memorandum of understanding with Haryana Power Purchase Centre (HPPC) on Thursday to supply 800 MW of power to it. The HPPC will purchase 800 MW of power from Mahanadi Basin Power Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Mahanadi Coalfields Limited. CIL said the purpose is to formalise and define the basic framework of discussions for the power purchase agreement. *ENS*

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E- TENDER NOTICE

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Tender Ref.No	**R2 / 25551 / 2023**
EMD	**Rs. 3.50 lakh**
Date of Release of Tender	**16.02.2024**
Last date for submission of bid	**01.03.2024 at 5.00 PM**
Date of opening of bid	**04.03.2024 at 11.00 AM**

Additional Director of Survey and Land Records,Chennai-5.
(Tender Inviting Authority)
DIPR/998/TENDER/2024

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The tender document can be downloaded at free of cost from **https://tntenders.gov.in/** from **16.02.2024**. The details of the tender are as follows.

Tender Ref.No	**R2 / 25550 / 2023**
EMD	**Rs. 4.50 lakh**
Date of Release of Tender	**16.02.2024**
Last date for submission of bid	**01.03.2024 at 5.00 PM**
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Additional Director of Survey and Land Records,Chennai-5.
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DIPR/1002/TENDER/2024

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. SWRTMYPR202324WT07
Dated: 09-02-2024

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites Tenders for the following works:

Item of work	Approx. Value
Supply and Fixing of Wear resistant plates for Ballast cleaning machines in South Western Railway as per RDSO drawing and according to technical specifications. Period of Completion 12 Months.	Rs. 1,34,33,727/-

Last date for submission of bids:
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that our Clients, **Mr. KARTHIK VASANTHA NARAYAN** and **Mrs. DHARINI KANNAN** intend to purchase the Schedule Property hereinafter described, from its owner, namely **Mr. M.R. GURUNATHAN**, S/o. Late M.V. Ramachandran, Residing at No. 64, Meenakshi Avenue, Kalainagar 1st Main Road, Madurai – 6250117, Tamil Nadu, who has represented that he is the sole and absolute owner and in possession of the Schedule Property with unrestricted rights of alienation over the same.

Public are notified that any person having any right, title, claim or interest in the Schedule Property or any objection/s of the any manner whatsoever to the above transaction are hereby called upon to notify the undersigned with supporting documents within 10 (Ten days) from the date of this notice. If no such claim is received, it would be deemed that the abovementioned owner has clear and marketable title to the Schedule Property and that no person has any claim over the Schedule Property and/ or claim/s, if any, will be deemed to have been waived.

Schedule Property

All that piece and parcel of the residential BDA Flat bearing No. B-12-102, 2nd Floor, bearing PID No. 72-9-B-12/102, presently bearing E-Aasthi Khatha No. 1670296 issued by Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore, having a super built up area of approximately 33.52+ ½ X 8.77 square meter, alongwith undivided interest of 37.93 square meters covered with passages, lobbies, staircase and other areas of common use, situated at Domlur 2nd Stage, 2nd Phase, Bengaluru, bounded on as follows:

East by : Open space and Road;
West by : Flat No. 101;
North by : Open Space; and
South by : Open Space

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This is to inform the General Public that my clients intend to purchase the Schedule Property from **1) MRS. YASMEEN TAJ**, W/o Late. Shaik Ibrahim, **2) MR. MOHAMMED ISMAIL**, S/o Late. Shaik Ibrahim, **3) MR. MOHAMMED AFSAR**, S/o Late. Shaik Ibrahim, **4) MRS. WAHEEDA SALMA**, D/o Late. Shaik Ibrahim, W/o Mr. Ilyas, Residing at No.E317, 4th Main, Home, Munireddy Layout, Horamavu, Bangalore -560043, **5) MR. JAVEED AFZAL**, S/o Late. Shaik Ibrahim, Sl.Nos.1 to 3 & 5 are residing at No.09, 1st Cross, Thanisandra Main Road, Uqba Masjid Road, Ashwathnagar, Dr. Shivarama Karanth Nagar, Bangalore -560077.

Any person having any objection regarding the said sale transaction, may contact the undersigned advocate with relevant documents within **10 days** from the date of this publication failing which it shall be deemed that there is no objection of any nature and my client will complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential house built on immovable Property bearing Site No.55, Khata No.2/1/55, formed out of Property / Assessment No.2/1, BBMP Sl.No.825, Situated at Geddalahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now Comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike in Ward No.25, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 50 Feet, totally measuring 1500 Sq.feet., and bounded on as follows:-

East by : Site No.54,
West by : Site No.56,
North by : Private Property,
South by : 25 Feet Road.

Consisting of RCC roofed house measuring 12 Squares on the Ground Floor and 13 Squares on the First Floor having vitrified flooring with all basic amenities.

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ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ–ಧಾರವಾಡ ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ, ಸನ್ 2023–24ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯ ನಿಧಿ ಅನುದಾನ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಂಜೂರಾದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕ ಆದೇಶ 1999–2000ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಆಕ್ಟ್ 2000 ನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್ ಬಿಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್ ನಿಯಮದನ್ವಯ ಪಿಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂಡಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿತರಾದ ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

1) ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ.: **DMA/2023-24/SE1384/CALL-3,** ರೂ. 48.00 ಲಕ್ಷ, (12 ತಿಂಗಳು), 3ನೇ ಕರೆ.

ಈ ಮೇಲಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಹೆಸರು, ಇ.ಎಮ್.ಡಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **16–02–2024** ರಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಸದರಿ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಯ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತ್ರ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

1) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **01–03–2024** ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ **4.00** ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ. 2) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ: **02–03–2024** ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 4.30 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ.

ಸಹಿ/–
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ತೋಟಗಾರಿಕೆ)
ಹು–ಧಾ ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ.
ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಇ/ಧಾರವಾಡ/802/ಅಕ್ಟೋಬರ್/2023–24

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH SURVEY AND LAND RECORDS DEPARTMENT

Rc.No.APSTA-11021/7/2024/A-SEC-APSTA **Dt.14-02-2024**

Name of the Work: Printing, Binding, Lamination and Supply of LPM Books for 5,000 Villages under Re-Survey Project. 2) Opening Date & Time for Sale of Tender Document: 16.02.2024 @10.30 AM. 3) Closing Time & Date for Sale of Tender Document: 05.03.2024 @4.00 PM. 4) Time and Date for Pre-Bid Meeting **Link: https://meet.google.com/aasekxo-uhc** - 21.02.2024 @4.00 PM through online. 5) Last Date & time for filling Bids: 05.03.2024 @5.00 PM. 6) Last Date & time for opening of Bids: 05.03.2024 @5.30 PM. 7) Date of Technical demonstration. 13.03.2024. 8) Address for Communication: Vice Principal, AP Survey Training Academy, O/o. CSS & LRs, 4th Floor, APIIC Towers, Mangalagiri, Andhra Pradesh. 9) Contact Details: Vice Principal: 9441836701. O/o CSS & LRs, A.P., Vijayawada. Email.ID: csslr.ap@gmail.com sta.andhrapradesh@gmail.com 10) For Online downloading/Submission of Bids visit: **1.www.apeprocurement.gov.in 2. https://gem.gov.in/** 11) For detailed Tender notification visit **www.ccla.ap.gov.in** (Issued with the note orders approved by the CCS & LRs, A.P.)

Sd/- for Commissioner, SS & LRs, A.P., Mangalagiri
DIPR No.2712PP/CL/ADVT/1/1/2021-22, Dt.15/02/2024

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA NIYAMITHA

(Government of Karnataka under taking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, Design and Investigation Division, Bannur, T.Narasipura Taluk, Mysore District, Karnataka
PHONE AND FAX NO. 08227-275653
E-mail: eedidbannur@gmail.com

Tender notification No. 11/2023-24: Dated: 14.02.2024

(Through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

Item wise tenders have been invited for various improvement work from eligible registered contractors vide this office Tender notification No.11/2023-24: Dated: 14.02.2024 for 1 work according to KW-4. The dates for submission of tender and opening of the tender and other details can be obtained from the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal or from the office signed/- below.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
DIPR/DDMYS/KSMCA/1081/2023-24

KAMARAJAR PORT LIMITED

(A COMPANY OF CHENNAI PORT AUTHORITY)
CHENNAI – 600 001.
CIN: U45203TN1999PLC043322

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

TENDER NO: KPL/PPD/CD VI/2024

Kamarajar Port Limited (KPL) invites online tender on two cover system from reputed Firms for "**GLOBAL TENDER FOR CAPITAL DREDGING PHASE VI TO PROVIDE 18M DRAFT AT KAMARAJAR PORT**" at an estimated value of **Rs. 380 crore (excluding GST).**

The tender document can be downloaded from KPL's website **www.kamarajarport.in** & through e-procurement portal link **www.eprocure.gov.in** from 15.02.2024

General Manager (CS & BD)
Tel: 044-25251666

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our client Sri Madhuchandre Gowda. B.R., S/o Ramachandra, Residing at No.335D, 5th Cross, 3rd 'D' Main, RR Layout, Nagadevanahalli, Bangalore-560 060, has negotiated with its owner Smt Ambika W/o Late Anjenappa, Residing at: No.27/28, Sy No.17, 3rd Block, Maruthinagara, Ullalu Upanagara, Bangalore-56 056, to purchase the property mentioned in the schedule below. If any person having claim, right or obligations / objections and interest in the below schedule property may kindly lodge the same with the undersigned with the copies of documents within 15 days from the date of publication by registered post to the below mentioned person. If no objections are received with in time stipulated it will be deemed that there are no objections / claims or right over the schedule property from any person and my client will proceed and complete sale transaction.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the CONVERTED LAND for Industrial purpose bearing Survey No.59, measuring 0-29 Guntas, Situated at Kenchanapura village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on:

East by : Land of Sy No.57 & Road, West by : Land of Sy No.55, North by : Remaining Land of Sy No. 59, South by : Remaining Land of Sy No.59

Sri Madhuchandre Gowda. B. R.,
S/o Ramachandra, Residing at No.335D,
5th Cross, 3rd 'D' Main, RR Layout,
Nagadevanahalli, Bangalore-560 060
Mobile : 9686469799
PLACE: BANGALORE DATE: 16.02.2024

Bank of Maharashtra

ZONAL OFFICE : 15, Police Station Road Basavangudi Bengaluru - 560 004
TELE : 080 - 46561220 | **E-mail :** cmmarc_ban@mahabank.co.in
Head Office : Lokmangal,1501, Shivajinagar, Pune-5

Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties (Appendix IV-A)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s & Guarantor/s that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to **Bank of Maharashtra**, the **symbolic possession** of which have been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Bank of Maharashtra**, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 19/03/2024,** for recovery of the balance due to the **Bank of Maharashtra** from the Borrower(s) as mentioned in the table. Details of Borrower/s, Guarantor/s, amount due, Short description of the immovable property and encumbrances known thereon, possession type, reserve price and the earnest money deposit are also given as under –

Sr. No.	Name and address of Borrower/s & Guarantor/s	Outstanding dues as on 13/02/2024	Short description of immovable property / Possession Type / Encumbrances known to the bank	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit
1.	**Branch: Madhuvanahalli, (M-8956939445)** **Borrower: M/s. Sri Bhairava Distributors, Prop. Mr. N Manjunath,** Lakshmi Towers, Vivekananda Road, Shop No.4, Behind Dwaraka Hotel, M G Road, Tumkur, Pin-572101. **Also at** Khata No.3545, Ground Floor, Shop No.1 & 2, Near Gayatri Kalyana Mantapa, Kunigal Road, Maraluru, Tumkur 572105. **Guarantor: Mrs. Rajeshwari S,** Ward No.1, Krishnappanadoddi Extension, Vadderahaalli Dhakale, Krishnappanadoddi Ramanagar, Pin-562 159.	Rs.36,33,602.00 **(Rupees Thirty Six Lakh Thirty Three Thousand Six Hundred Two Only)** plus further interest w.e.f. **14.02.2024** plus all costs, penalty, charges and expenses or other incidental charges thereof.	All that piece and parcel of residential land and building bearing Kaneshwari Khata No. 66/111/3, New CMC Khata No.1176/996A/66A/111/3A, admeasuring area 1260 sq. ft. lying and situated at Ward No.1, Ramadevara Betta Road, Krishnappanadoddi-Extn, Vederahally-Dakhle, Ramanagara Town / Symbolic / NIL	**Rs.27.00 Lakh** / **Rs.2.70 Lakh**

- **Date of E-Auction & Time: 19/03/2024 between 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm.**
- **Property Inspection Date & Time: 16/03/2024 & 18/03/2024 with prior appointment.**
- **Last Date & Time for submission of Bid/EMD : 18/03/2024 upto 5.00 pm.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in website of Bank of Maharashtra i.e. **"https://www.bankofmaharashtra.in/properties for sale"; "https://ibapi.in", and "www.mstcecommerce.com".**

STATUTORY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The borrower/s & guarantor/s above named are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to dated interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: 15/02/2024 **Sd/-, Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Bank of Maharashtra ARC, Bangalore Zone**

Can Fin Homes Ltd

No.03,1106/624/1, First Floor, Sadvi Complex
B M Road, Vivekananda Nagar, Ramanagaram - 562159.
Ph: 0820-27271211,7625079232
E-mail: ramanagaram@canfinhomes.com
CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699
RAMANAGARAM BRANCH

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of "The Securitisation and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)"

To,
1.Mr. Girish K S/o Krishnappa, (Borrower), No.1894 Geetha Mandir Badavane, Kempegowda Circle, Ramanagaram Town, Ramanagara, Karnataka 562159
2.Mrs. Vinutha W/o Girish K. (Co-Borrower), No.1894 Geetha Mandir Badavane, Kempegowda Circle, Ramanagaram Town, Ramanagara, Karnataka 562159
3. Mr. Ananda K P.(Guarantor), S/o Puttaswanayya, Ward No.26, Geetha Mandira Badavane, Ramanagaram,Karnataka 562159.

No. 1 & 2 amongst you have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset belonging to No.1 of/Amongst you. An amount of **Rs.4,54,500/-** (Rupees Four Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Five Hundred Only) is due from you, to Can Fin Homes Ltd. as on 30-01-2024 together with future interest at the contracted rate.

Details of the mortgaged Property: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No. 22, Municipal Katha No:23/746/1894, Old Municipal No: 746/1894, Present Katha No: 23/746/1894, Situated at Ijuru Hill Tappalu,Ward No.26, Ramanagaram Town, Ramanagaram Taluk, Karnataka 562159. Measuring East to West 30 feet, North to South 40 feet, Total Measuring 1200 Sq ft. East by: **Road,** West by:**Site No.21,** North by: **Site No.11,** South by: **Road.**

Registered demand notice was sent to Nos. 1 & 2 amongst you under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was returned unserved. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non Performing Asset on **29.01.2024** as per the NHB Guidelines. You are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rateof interest thereon from **30.01.2024** within 60daysfrom the date of this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to Initiate action under SARFAESIAct to enforce the aforesaidsecurity. Further, the attention of borrowers / guarantors is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Place: Bangalore, Sd/-
Date : 15.02.2024 **Authorised Officer**
Can Fin Homes Limited

BANGALORE URBAN ZILLA PANCHAYATH

Office of the Executive Engineer, Panchayath Raj Engineering Division, First Floor, Zilla Panchayat Building, S. Kariyappa Road, Banashankari, Bengaluru - 560070.

No: EE/PRED/BNG(U)/TND/AE-2/34/2023-24 Dated: 15-02-2024

E-PROCUREMENT SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited through e-Procurement by the Executive Engineer, P.R.E.D. Bangalore Urban, in Two Cover System for Approved Action Plan Works Under Zilla Panchayath Different Head of Account 2023-24. The work details can be obtained from the e-Procurement Website. The Tender Documents can be obtained and Submitted **on or before 23-02-2024 upto 4.00 PM.** Further details can be obtained from Website at **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact this office during office working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Panchayath Raj Engineering Division,
Bangalore Urban Dist, Bengaluru.
DIPR/CP/3623/ Adverto/2023-24

IN THE COURT OF THE IX ADDL. DIST & SESSIONS JUDGE BENGALURU RURAL DIST., BENGALURU

P & SC No.75/2023

BETWEEN: Smt. LAKSHMAMMA, D/o late Puttaiah & Thimmakka, W/o Masthaiah, aged about 59 years, R/at No.Majare Sannappana Palya, Heggunda Dakhale, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural Dist. And also presently residing at: Thammadihalli village, Maskal Post, Guluru Hobli, Tumakuru taluk & Dist ... **PETITIONER**
AND: -Nil- ...RESPONDENTS

To, All concerned.

Whereas, above named petitioner as made a petition to this court on 04-12-2023 Bangalore Rural District under section 276 of Indian Succession Act, 1925, praying for issue of Probate in respect of the below mentioned property, so left by her father Puttaiah S/o late Channabasavaiah under a registered Will who died on 26.01.2005.

Interested parties are hereby warned to appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on the **13-03-2024** at **11'0 Clock** to show cause against the petition, failing which the matter will be heard and determined ex-pate.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing Sy.No.220 measuring 01-00 acre situated at Heggunda village, Sompura Hobli, Nelamangala taluk, Bengaluru rural district, and bounded on the: **East by:** Land belongs to Ganganna, **West by:** Remaining land in same Survey number, **North by:** Land belongs to Muddahanumaiah, **South by:** Land belongs to Hanumanthaiah.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court on this 03-02-2024

By Order of the court, Chief Administrative Officer, District & Sessions Court, Bangalore Rural District,

Address of the Advocate for Petitioner:
PARASHURAM .R. HATTARAKIHAL & ASSOCIATES
No.1133, 1st floor, Narayanaswamy Building, 1st Main Road, Yeswanthpura Bengaluru-560 022.

KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD

3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru.

TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal)

Karnataka Housing Board invite tender from the eligible Pre qualified contractors in Karnataka Housing Board through Karnataka public procurement portal for below mentioned work.

Last date for submission of bid: **28.02.2024 upto 4.00 p.m.**

Sl. No.	Name of Work
1.	**Construction of Post Metric Girls Hostel 2nd Phase at Vijayapura in Vijayapura District.** Tender Reference Number: KHB/2023-24/ BD/work_indent 155/CALL-2 & IFT No. 160/2023-24 Date: 14.02.2024, Amount put to tender : **Rs.1,30,84,895/-.**

For further information, contact below mentioned office address: **Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru, Telephone No.080-22273511 / 080-22100077 web site: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Karnataka Housing Board, Bengaluru.
DIPR/CP/AAPL/RO3632/23-24

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, Yelahanka Zone, Bellary Main Road, Byatarayanapura, Bengaluru - 560092.

No: EE/ELE/YZ/TN/GN/02/2023-24 **Date: 15-02-2024**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Single Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (Elect.), Yelahanka Zone, BBMP invites Tenders in accordance with Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Rules 2000, from eligible Contractors registered in BBMP / KPWD / CPWD / Railway / MES / National Highway or any Other equivalent Central / State Government Organizations for the Electrical Works as detailed below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work / Category	Amount Put to Tender (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD Amount (in Rs.)
1	Annual Maintenance of Electrical Equipments and Maintenance of Crematorium at Medi Agrahara, Lakshmipura in Atturu Ward No.03. **(Others)**	18.00	45,000/-
2	Annual Maintenance of Electrical Equipments and Maintenance of Crematorium at Kempapura in Hebbala Kempapura Ward No.09. **(Others)**	18.15	45,400/-
3	Repairs & Replacements of Damaged Cables, Poles, Park Fittings in Yelahanka Constituency Parks. **(Others)**	8.00	20,000/-
4	Repairs & Replacements of Damaged Cables, Poles, Park Fittings in Byatarayanapura Constituency Parks. **(Others)**	17.00	42,500/-
5	Annual Maintenance and Repairs of Electrical Installation at J.C Yelahanka Zonal Office and BBMP Building in Amrutahalli, Byatarayanapura Constituency. **(SC)**	12.00	15,000/-
6	Annual Maintenance & Repairs of Electrical Installation to BBMP Buildings coming under Yelahanka Constituency. **(Others)**	8.00	20,000/-
7	Maintenance of Aerators and Related Lightings in Yelahanka Old Town and Allalsandra Lake in Ward No. 1 & 4. **(Others)**	9.00	22,500/-
8	Providing LED Lights to Burial Grounds in Yelahanka Zone in Ward No. 1-14. **(ST)**	6.00	7,500/-
9	Emergency Repair Works to Electrical Crematorium in Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	6.00	15,000/-
10	Shifting of existing High Masts to Road side and Trencless Cabling Work in Yelahanka Division. **(Others)**	8.00	20,000/-
	Providing Energy Efficient LED Street Lights for Sl.No. 11 to 24		
11	Kempegowda in Ward No. 01, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
12	Chowdeshwari in Ward No. 02, Yelahanka Zone. **(SC)**	10.00	12,500/-
13	Atturu Layout in Ward No. 03, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
14	Yelahanka Satelight Town in Ward No. 04, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
15	Kogilu in Ward No. 05, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
16	Jakkuru in Ward No. 06, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
17	Thanisandra in Ward No. 07, Yelahanka Zone. **(SC)**	10.00	12,500/-
18	Amruthahalli in Ward No. 08, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
19	Hebbala Kempapura in Ward No. 09, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
20	Byatarayanapura in Ward No. 10, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
21	Kodigehalli in Ward No. 11, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
22	Bommasandra in Ward No. 12, Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-
23	Vidyaranyapura in Ward No. 13, Yelahanka Zone. **(ST)**	10.00	12,500/-
24	Kuvempunagara in Ward No. 14,Yelahanka Zone. **(Others)**	10.00	25,000/-

Calendar of Events: 1) The tender documents can be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 16-02-2024. 2)** Bids must be Submitted online through the KPP Portal **on or before 16.00 Hours on 22-02-2024. 3)** The Bids will be Opened on **23-02-2024 at 16.00 Hours.** Further details can be had from the above office.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Electrical Division), Yelahanka Zone, BBMP.

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Retail Assets Central Processing Centre,
No.117, Neilrao Towers , Rd Number 3,
Whitefield, Epip Phase 1, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560066
Email :sbi.177753@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule 8(1) (For immovable property)

A/c. No.: A/c: SBI/RACPC/SRA/WTFLD/CC/32360689762/32360669257

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No.3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notices dated **06/12/2023** issued, calling upon the **Borrower: 1) Mr.Prabhat Kumar Singh** S/o Mr. Kapil Dea Prasad **Co – Borrower: 2) Mrs.Sharmistha Singh** W/o Mr. Prabhat Kumar Singh Address of both: Flat No.C-802, Rohan Leher Apts, Survey No.54/1-2-6, Baner, Near Mercedes Show Room,Pune-411045. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 34,05,217/-** (Rupees thirty four lakh five thousand two hundred seventeen only) as on 02/12/2023 and with interest at contractual rate and expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules, on 13.2.2024

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs 30,46,020/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Forty Six Thousand Twenty Only)** as on 12-02-2024 and interest, + expenses, cost, charges, etc. thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Sub-section(8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

SCHEDULE "A"PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the converted land bearing Survey Number 100/1,presently Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike Khatha No. 1111/Sy.No.100/1 MuncipalNo.85,measuring 35 Guntas,Vide the Order dated 06/03/2012, in Official Memorandum bearing No.ALN (EVH) SR/534/11-12,passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District , Situated at Panathur Village, Varthur Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, Presently Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, and bounded on the: East by: Land in Survey No. 100 of Sri. Prabhu, West by: Amani Bellandur Khane Village Boundary in Sy. No. 206/4C; North by: Amani Bellandur Khane Village Boundary; South by: Road.

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY: 671.04 Sq. feet undivided share ,right,title and interest in the Schedule "A" Property.

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY: Residential flat bearing No.A-106, in first floor, Block "A",measuring 1411 Sq. feet built up area containing three bed rooms, with RCC roofing,Vitrified tiles flooring and powder coated Aluminium windows together with one covered car parking space,along with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, Lobbies,Lift and Staircase contained in the multistoried building constructrd on the schedule "A" property known as **'ANURAAG ANMOL'.**

Place:Bengaluru Sd/-
Date: 13.02.2024 Authorised Officer, State Bank of India
RACPC, Whitefield, Bengaluru

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SALE NOTICE

APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to rule 9(1)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E- Auction SALE NOTICE for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Begur Branch, will be sold by holding e-auction on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **06.03.2024,** for recovery of **Rs.66,80,569/-** (Rupees sixty six lakhs eighty thousand five Hundred and sixty nine Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. From **Mr.Naresh Kumar S** S/o M.Shanmugam & **Mrs. Saraswathi T R** W/o Mr.Naresh Kumar S & **Mr.S.Gajendra Pathy** S/o.T. Subramaniyam(Guarantor) as on 15/02/2024, together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs.40,00,000/-** (Rupees Forty Lakhs Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.4,00,000/-** (Rupees Four lakhs only).

DESCRIPTION PROPERTY

All that the part and parcel of property bearing Site No 488, formed in Property No 76/1, Khata No.76/1/2/488, situated at Kittiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, measuring (i)on the East side 10feet at the entrance 40 feet inside, total measuring 50 feet (ii) Measuring on the West 50Feet, Measuring on the North 30 feet +14Feet 2", total measuring 40feet 2 Inches and measuring on the south 44 feet 2 Inches, in all totally measuring 1008Sq feet and Property being Bounded ; The below said Item No.(i)and (ii) properties are adjacent each other and totally measuring 1008 Square feet and for more authentication and identification of the exact measurement of the aforementioned L Shape property is also mentioned in the following manner:

(i) Whereas from the approaching from the Road: Portion of Site No.488,measuring East to West 30 feet andNorth to South 10 feet and (ii) Whereas, the Rear portion of Site No.488,measuring East to West 14 Feet 2 Inches and North to South 50 feet and together being bounded: On the East by : Road and Site No.489, On the West by :Private Property, On the North by : Site No.504/A and Site No.489, On the South by: Site No.490.

Encumbrances :Nil

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., **https:/www.canfinhomes.com/ Search Auction.aspx**. Link of participating in e- auction www.bankeauctionwizard.com

Date: 15.02.2024 Sd/-
Place:Bangalore Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that our client **Mr. S.Naveen Kumar** S/o Mr. Ganganna, Aged about 35 years, Residing at No.34-2, Attur Road, Banglore North, Banglore - 560064. intends to purchase the property described in the schedule herein from 1) Smt. Anjinamma, 2) Sri. Muniyappa, 3) Sri. Rajanna, 4) Sri. Ramaiah, 5) Sri. Shivappa, 6) Sri. Chikkamuniyappa, 7) Smt. Munithayamma, 8) Smt. Kempamma, all are residing at Ananthapura village, Yalahanka Hobali Bangalore North Taluk. All are absolute owners of the same.

Any person or persons having objections to the above transactions are required forward same to the under signed along with the relevant materials. within 30 days today in the absence of any objections within the above said period it shall be deemed that there are no objections or that they have been waived and the sale deed will be executed in favor of our client without any further reference in this regard.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Sy No.33 total extent of 1 acer 38 ½ guntas karab 01 ½ guntas situated at Ananthapura village, Yalahanka Hobali, Yalahanka Taluk, Bangalore Dist. Joint family members partitioned and with all the appurtenances and structures standing therein and bounded on :-

i. Smt. Anjinamma D/o. Late. Gowramma measuring 0-10 guntas karab 1½ guntas bounded on East by : Sy No.37 property, West by : Block No.II, of Muniyappa, North by : Remaining property in Sy No.33, South by : Sy No.34 property.
ii. Sri.Muniyappa S/o. Doddapillappa measuring 0-10 guntas bounded on East by : Block-I property, West by : Block No.III, of Rajanna, North by : Remaining property in Sy No.33, South by : Sy No.34 property.
iii. Sri. Rajanna S/o. Doddapillappa measuring 0-9¾ guntas bounded on East by : Block-II Muniyappa property, West by : Block No.IV, of Ramaiah Property, North by : Remaining property in Sy No.33, South by : Sy No.34 property.
iv. Sri. Ramaiah S/o. Doddapillappa measuring 0-9¾ guntas bounded on East by : Block-III of Rajanna property, West by : Block No.V, of Shivappa Property, North by : Remaining property in Sy No.33, South by :Sy No.34 property.
v. Sri. Shivappa S/o. Doddapillappa measuring 0-9¾ guntas bounded on East by : Block-IV Ramaiah property, West by : Block No.VI, of Chikkamuniyappa property, North by : Remaining property in Sy No.33, South by :Sy No.34 property.
vi. Sri. Chikkamuniyappa S/o. Doddapillappa measuring 0-9¾ guntas bounded on East by : Block-V Shivappa property, West by : Block No.VII, of Munithayamma property, North by : Remaining property in Sy No.33, South by : Sy No.34 property.
vii. Smt. Munithayamma D/o. Doddapillappa measuring 0-9¾ guntas bounded on East by : Block-VI Chikkamuniyappa Property, West by : Block No.VII of Kempamma Property, North by : Remaining Property in Sy No.33, South by : Sy No.34 Property.
viii. Smt. Kempamma D/o. Doddapillappa measuring 0-9¾ guntas bounded on East by : Block-VII Munithayamma Property, West by : owni, North by : Remaining Property in Sy No.33, South by : Sy No.34 Property.

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Nadal puts on hold next week's return plans

Rafael Nadal was forced to shelve his plans to return to action at next week's Qatar Open, admitting he is "not ready to compete". The 37-year-old missed most of last year with a hip injury sustained at the Australian Open before making his comeback at last month's Brisbane International. However, a small muscle tear then forced him to pull out of this season's first Grand Slam.

After a disastrous start, duo slams tons to power hosts to 326/5 at stumps on first day of third Test vs England

Two to tango: Rohit, Jadeja

GOMESH S @Rajkot

RAJAT Patidar is taking a long walk back. He had just tried to play Tom Hartley off the backfoot but was caught in an awkward position, with the ball taking a leading edge onto the hands of the short cover fielder. Much like everyone else watching, captain and non-striker Rohit Sharma, too, was bewildered. Everyone, including him, was waiting for the replay to find out if the ball had bounced extra or done a bit too much.

It hadn't. From the replays, it seemed like Patidar was caught in two minds whether or not to play on the front foot and went for a half-hearted cut but stopped midway. It seemed like one of those times when the batter had a brain fade. Except, it came with a cost and disappointment. More so for Rohit than many. He had watched Yashasvi Jaiswal hang his bat outside to nick Mark Wood. Shubman Gill had also missed out against the same pacer. As Patidar took the long walk back, India's scorecard read 33/3 within the first hour after opting to bat first on good surface.

Understandably, instead of the two debutants — Sarfaraz Khan and Dhruv Jurel — Ravindra Jadeja, the home lad who has played all his domestic cricket at this venue, walked in at No. 5. The pressure was on the two most experienced batters in the top seven. Rohit, in particular, was under the pump because he hadn't crossed the 40-run mark in eight innings. However, he was nowhere near looking settled. In the very next over, Wood, who had been running in with intent, rushing the Indian top-order with his pace and line, delivered a mean bouncer that hit Rohit on the helmet grill. A few balls later, Rohit tried to take on Hartely, but the ball took an outside edge on its way to Joe Root at the slips. As luck would have it, Root dropped him. Then he survived a DRS decision against James Anderson.

That perhaps was the wake-up call Rohit needed. That's when he started playing with purpose. He defended and defended with conviction against Hartley and took on the spinner only when there was a bad delivery. Against Anderson, too, Rohit was happy to defend. He knew Jadeja was at the other end, who was comfortable at rotating strike, and all he had to do was pick the right balls to play his shots.

To put things into context, there was a phase where between overs 24.4 and 30.2, Rohit did not add a run to his name. Jadeja was ticking the scoreboard along with a nudge here and a cut there. Out of nowhere, Rohit would launch Hartley into the sightscreen to the joy of a sizeable crowd watching from the stands of the Niranjan Shah Stadium and then go back to defending on the front foot. Once he went into the 90s, Rohit was happy to defend and nudge until the tea break. When the moment came — Rehan Ahmed gave room and width — he cut the spinner and trudged for a two, getting to his eleventh Test century and becoming the oldest Indian captain to do so. It was not an inning of dominance as it is often the case with Rohit at home, but the one of grit. His modest bat rise celebration summed it up.

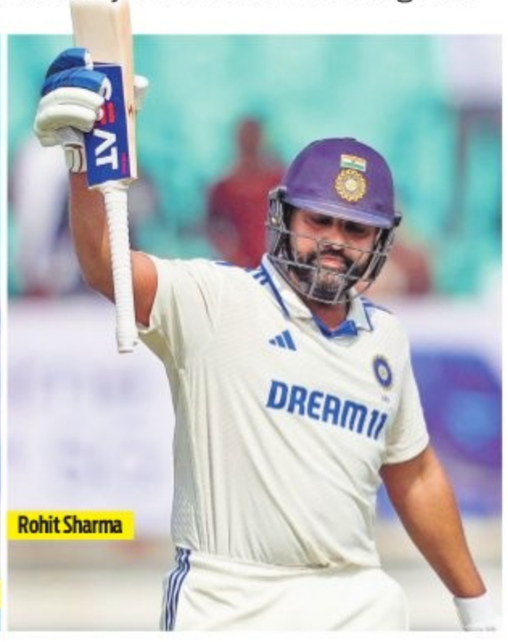
What helped Rohit was having someone like Jadeja at the other end. Jadeja, on the eve of the match, had said that it is a hard pitch and one can expect a lot of runs on the first two days. He knew what was expected of him. Unless it was a full toss or overpitched or a short delivery there to hit, Jadeja had no intention of taking any undue risk. He was tested by both Wood and Anderson but survived and kept the scoreboard moving as much as he could. It was the kind of innings that one would just watch him stay put at the crease and before you knew he would have 40 next to his name. Then the fifty came along, after which he opened up a little, and played a few more shots, taking on the bouncers from Wood. With Sarfaraz taking to Test cricket like fish to water — he smashed a fifty of just 48 balls — Jadeja had all the time in the world to get his own hundred.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

SCOREBOARD

India 1st innings: Y Jaiswal c Root b Wood 10, R Sharma c Stokes b Wood 131, S Gill c Foakes b Wood 0, R Patidar c Duckett b Hartley 5, R Jadeja batting 110, Sarfaraz run out 62, K Yadav batting 1; **Extras** (1b, 3lb, 2nb, 1w): 7; **Total** (in 86 overs) 326 for 5; **FoW:** 1-22, 2-24, 3-33, 4-237, 5-314; **Bowling:** J Anderson 19-5-51-0, Mark Wood 17-2-69-3, T Hartley 23-3-81-1, J Root 13-1-68-0, R Ahmed 14-0-53-0.

Ravindra Jadeja



Rohit Sharma

Memorable debut for Sarfaraz in front of teary-eyed father and wife

GOMESH S @Rajkot

SARFARAZ Khan and Dhruv Jurel had just been handed their India Test caps. The two debutants for the third Test against England in Rajkot were understandably emotional posing for a picture together. Sarfaraz, meanwhile, couldn't wait to finish the picture.

Once he was told it was done, Sarfaraz turned around and ran toward his father, Naushad Khan, and wife Romana Zahoor who were watching a life-long dream unfold in front of them. Naushad teared up embracing his 26-year-old son, and so did Zahoor. Sarfaraz handed his Test cap to Naushad as the proud father kissed the cap and his emotional son. All three were living a moment they had been waiting for years now.

From the time he broke Sachin Tendulkar's record in Harris Shield, he had been anointed as the next big thing. And yet, the journey to this moment hasn't been easy. Despite working several hours every single day with Naushad, who was also his coach, and piling on runs everywhere he went, including for Mumbai in the Ranji Trophy, the wait to move up the ranks kept getting longer. He had two 900-plus Ranji seasons and followed it up with another stellar one last year, but the frustrating wait continued. Eventually, when KL Rahul was ruled out of the Visakhapatnam, the Mumbaikar earned his maiden India call-up. In Rajkot, the dream Sarfaraz and his father had manifested came true — Test cap No. 311, Sarfaraz Khan.

The entire cricketing fraternity was anxious to see how he would fare on his debut, and the 26-year-old did not disappoint. After waiting for four hours, watching Rohit Sharma and Ravindra Jadeja bat, he walked in the 64th with the scoreboard reading 237/4. He was welcomed to Test cricket with a short-pitched delivery from Mark Wood. After a few balls of nervousness and constant communication with Jadeja, Sarfaraz was in his zone. It started with

India's Sarfaraz Khan embraces his father Naushad Khan on Thursday | PTI

a late cut of Rehan Ahmed, and then a few slog sweeps off Joe Root before he stepped out to launch Tom Hartley into the sight screen. From thereon, there was just no stopping him as he raced to a 48-ball 50, raising his bat aloft in the direction of the dressing room.

When he was batting in the middle, it seemed like he was in a hurry. That he just wanted to bat, bat, and bat, score as many runs, as soon as realistically possible. In the context of the game, it seemed like India would finish Day One with a score closer to 400. However, as is the case with fairytales and dreams, it comes to an abrupt end at times. On Thursday, Sarfaraz, too, had first-hand experience of it as he got run out in a mix-up when Jadeja was on 99. Although a disappointed Sarfaraz had to take a long walk back, it did not take long for him to come to terms with it. He had 62 runs next to his name in his first innings for India — a dream he and his father manifested, invested, and worked hard for.

To understand what the experience meant to him, all one needs to do is watch and listen to Sarfaraz. He walked into the press conference room with his India cap on, and kept it next to him, swelling with pride. To say that the moment was his father's as much as Sarfaraz's would not be an understatement. As a coach, Naushad has made Sarfaraz an India cricketer and his other son Musheer was a top batter for the India U19 team in the recent World Cup. Which is why, when Sarfaraz says, "It was the proudest moment of my life," you know he is not exaggerating. "I was six years old when he (Naushad) started my cricket. It was my dream to play for the Indian team in front of him. He was not ready to come but some people insisted that he goes there, obviously, he had to come over since he worked so hard only for this day. He was very emotional as I took the cap in front of him and so was my wife. I felt as if some pressure was off my shoulders given the hard work he had put in on me, I did not waste it," he added.

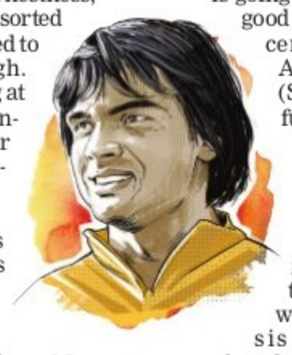
Full story: newindianexpress.com

Focus on strength & conditioning as Neeraj aims for Oly

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

NESTLED in the Southern Hemisphere, Potchefstroom with its excellent training facilities, is turning out to be an ideal venue for players to train when winter sweeps across the Northern Hemisphere. Even for Neeraj Chopra, who prefers to start his training abroad after a well-deserved post-season break in around late November or early December.

The javelin Olympic and world champ is primed for another year of excellence culminating with the big-ticket event at the Paris Olympics in July-August. He has to defend his Olympic title and with great earnestness, he has got his fitness sorted and has slowly started to throw, lightly though. He has been training at the South African centre since December and will gradually increase his light throwing sessions.



Consistency has been one of Neeraj's greatest companions along with his coach Klaus Bartonietz and physio Ishaan Marwah. Ever since his Olympic gold in 2021, he has hardly faltered. Despite injury, the 26-year-old had had an exceptional season last year. The Tokyo Games champion had to pull out of the FBK Games after the Doha Diamond League last year and made a comeback at Lausanne DL in late June where he won the event. Then at the Budapest World Athletics Championships in August, he reigned supreme and ended the season with the Asian Games gold in Hangzhou. The 90m mark may have eluded him last year, but he is still the World No 1 in javelin.

With the importance of the season, Neeraj is working with one more person besides the coach and the physio — strength and conditioning coach Spencer Mackay from the United Kingdom. Mackay, who is the head of strength and conditioning at Inspire Institute of Sport, had worked with Neeraj earlier when he had the elbow surgery in 2019. That's when coach Klaus also started to train him more regularly.

Neeraj started his season at Doha DL last year but it remains to be seen if he would begin at the same event this year too. According to his team, his training is going well and he is in good shape. In fact, recently the Sports Authority of India (SAI), which has funded the 85-day training through Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS), posted a video of Neeraj going through his training ritual where the emphasis again was on strength and conditioning.

As of now, the plan is to enter into a few competitions before the Olympics. He is looking to stay injury-free so that he remains in the best shape possible ahead of Paris. Neeraj will finish his three-month training in South Africa in February and by March he is set to move base to Turkey. Even earlier, he had been training at Gloria Sports Arena in Antalya. From Turkey, he would most likely shift base to somewhere close to Paris for his final preparation. But the venue has not been decided as yet.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

EXPRESS READ

Indian men lose 2-3 to China in BATC

SHAH ALAM (MALAYSIA): The Indian men's team suffered a 2-3 loss to China in the Badminton Asia Team Championships group tie here on Thursday. Star shuttlers HS Prannoy and Lakshya Sen won their singles matches but China fought back with wins in the two doubles contests to make it 2-2. National champion Chirag Sen then lost 15-21, 16-21 to Wang Zheng Xing in the fifth match as India conceded the tie.

Club cricketer gets 17-yr ban for attempted fixing

LONDON: A UK-based club cricketer has been handed a 17-and-a-half-year ban from the game at any level over match-fixing claims relating to the 2021 Abu Dhabi T10 Cricket League. Rizwan Javed was accused of attempting to fix matches on three separate occasions, offering rewards to other players to engage in corrupt behaviour and refusing to cooperate with the International Cricket Council (ICC) investigation.

Jamshedpur FC players celebrate a goal on Thursday | ISL

Punjab suffer heavy loss against Jamshedpur

AGENCIES @New Delhi

PUNJAB FC suffered a heavy 4-0 defeat to Jamshedpur FC in Round 15 of the ongoing Indian Super League season which was played here at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium. Daniel Chima Chukwu gave the The Red Miners the lead in the first half and Sanan Mohammed doubled the lead in the second half. The game was put to bed with two direct free kicks by Jeremy Manzorro within the space of three minutes.

The match started at an electric pace with both teams missing chances on both ends. Rei Tachikawa missed a sitter while Wilmar Jordan could not put the finishing touches to a good team move. Jamshedpur FC took the lead, capitalizing on the error from the defence. Chima took a touch and finished easily past Ravi Kumar. Punjab were awarded a penalty in the very next minute as Luka was brought down, but the Punjab captain could not convert the spot kick. The home side continued to pile on the pressure to find the equaliser and were creating a lot of chances but failed to convert them.

Punjab carried the momentum into the second half, keeping possession for the most part and troubling the Jamshedpur defence but it was Jamshedpur who increased their lead in the 63rd minute.

Punjab goalkeeper Ravi Kumar could not control a shot from Jeremy as his save fell into the path of Sanan who finished past the onrushing keeper. Jeremy later sealed the match for the away side.

Nagal passes stern challenge to enter last 8

AGENCIES @Bengaluru

SUMIT Nagal was put through his sternest test yet by Coleman Wong but the second-seeded Indian had enough grunt in him to fight past the Hong Kong man to enter the quarterfinals of the Bengaluru Open here.

Nagal won 6-2, 7-5.

But the beginning belied the struggles awaited Nagal in the later stages of the match.

Nagal continued the pattern of earning an early break when he went up 2-0 in the opening set. But it was not all smooth sailing as the 26-year-old had to battle past from 0-30 down in the very next game to hold his serve. Nagal got another break in the eighth game to bag the first set 6-2.

Oz show might as India's late strategy goes in vain

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Bhubaneswar

THERE is a certain mystique when an immovable object takes on an unstoppable force, especially in a team sport where goals are the primary currency. These matches essentially become a game of cat and mouse. One side wants control; another puts verticality at the top of the wish-list. In hockey, two of the best men's sides currently have embraced these opposite ideologies. In the one corner, you have Australia. High on energy, fast, physical and utterly vertical. On the other side, you have Belgium. Methodical, recycling possession and patient.

Historically, India have veered towards the former. Chaos, for a long time, has been their friend. Graham Reid so thrillingly channelised the madness to return with a bronze from the Tokyo Games. These days, under new management, they crave calmness. Their coach, Craig Fulton, wastes little time in reminding the team about defensive patterns, the importance of keeping the ball and building play from the back.

It's why their Pro League encounter against Australia at the Kalinga Stadium on Thursday was filled with potential, promise and lots of intrigue (that both teams are on the same group at the Olympics in Paris added a tiny bit of needle). Would India — whose own journey towards wanting to be an 'immovable object' is a work in progress — hold fort? How would their new ideology hold up against Australia, a team that had scored 43 times in their last nine meetings against India? The South African coach had definitely made the team sturdier but this was going to be a big test. It was also India's first match against the Olympic silver-medallists since Reid was shown the door a year ago.

Action from the match between India and Australia | DEBADATTA MALLICK

If the 60 minutes is anything to go by, India's desire to become an immovable object will remain a work-in-progress for the time being. When the hooter cut through the evening air, Australia had scored six, with three of those coming in a crazy six-minute phase of play in the fourth quarter. They were leading 4-3 with eight minutes left.

So, they tried to retain their shape, keep the ball and see out the match. Against most teams, this strategy may have worked. Against an Australian side full of veterans, it's asking for trouble. So, it proved to be as they scored three unanswered field goals (including one when the goalkeeper was sacrificed for an additional outfielder) to run out 6-4 winners. After the game, captain Harmanpreet Singh ruined a lack of defensive stability for the scoreline. Coach Fulton echoed similar sentiments. "You can't concede six goals in a game, as simple as that," he said. Or concede two within the opening 150 seconds. Before India got hold of the ball to string a couple of passes, they were trailing 0-2 courtesy Blake Govers.

After waving the Australian players like they were an ambulance carrying a very sick patient, the hosts got into the game thanks to aerial balls that bypassed the Australian press. For the first goal, Hardik Singh, very much the heartbeat for this side when things go well, put in a floated ball that was controlled inside the 'D' by Sumit. Astray tackle by Ky Willott resulted in a penalty corner that was netted by Harmanpreet Singh. 2-1.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Bayern blues, PSG on top

Bayern are in danger of early exit in the Champions League after losing 0-1 in their first leg, Round of 16 clash against Lazio. A look at Wednesday's matches...

IMMOBILE SPOT ON

Italy forward Immobile slotted home the decisive goal from the penalty spot in the 69th minute in Rome to pile pressure on Bayern. The spot-kick was won by Gustav Isaksen who was clattered by Dayot Upamecano with a rash tackle which earned the France defender a red card and left Bayern a man down for the final 20 minutes.

BAYERN IN CRISIS

Bayern are a club in a slump and a toothless display in the Italian capital in which they didn't have a single shot on target will do nothing to help embattled coach Thomas Tuchel.

MBAPPE LIFTS PSG

In the other match in Paris, PSG took a big step towards reaching the quarterfinals with a 2-0 win over Real Sociedad. Kylian Mbappe broke the deadlock from close range just before the hour mark. Bradley Barcola doubled the lead in the 70th minute.

24 Lazio have a chance of making their first quarterfinal in Europe's top competition in 24 years.

31 Mbappe has scored 31 goals this season in all competitions (four in the CL).

Wednesday's results (Last 16, first legs): In Rome: Lazio (ITA) 1-0 Bayern Munich (GER); **In Paris:** PSG (FRA) 2-0 Real Sociedad (ESP).

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

HOW TO DETECT & ESCAPE IDENTITY THEFT

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AT least once, all of us would have received messages from our friends and relatives warning about fake social media accounts created in their names and the scammers seeking money pretending to be people you know. We may have also noted with shock how these impersonators are stealing identities and creating Facebook, Messenger or Instagram accounts. Many of us are well aware of such frauds and know how to steer clear of them, but not everyone is capable of escaping deception.

As we live in the digital age, there is always the threat of our personal information falling into the wrong hands. Reports by cybersecurity organizations show an increase in incidents of identity theft in the country. How do we deal with this?

Identity theft

Cyber criminals use others' passwords of bank and social accounts, credit card details, health data, Aadhaar card, PAN card, driving licence and other such personal information for a variety of illegal activities. Attackers may use this data for stealing money, ordering goods online, buying a SIM card in your name and thereby escaping from a criminal activity.

Using your sensitive information such as health data can allow criminals to claim your health insurance or bad actors to exploit the data. Children's personal information could also be stolen.

Thieves may either directly use the victim's personal identifiable information or sell that on the dark web. It leads to financial loss, action from police or reputation damage.

Personal identifiable information is critical and has implications for threats in the future, says Ritesh Chopra, director of sales in India region at Norton, a cybersecurity firm. He added that the threat landscape has changed dramatically in recent years and a simple antivirus is not enough. "We need have a combination of awareness, VPN, safe browsing and technological offerings," he said.

How can you be safe?

The good old trick of not clicking on unknown or suspicious links received through mail, SMS or WhatsApp; ignore malicious pop-ups.

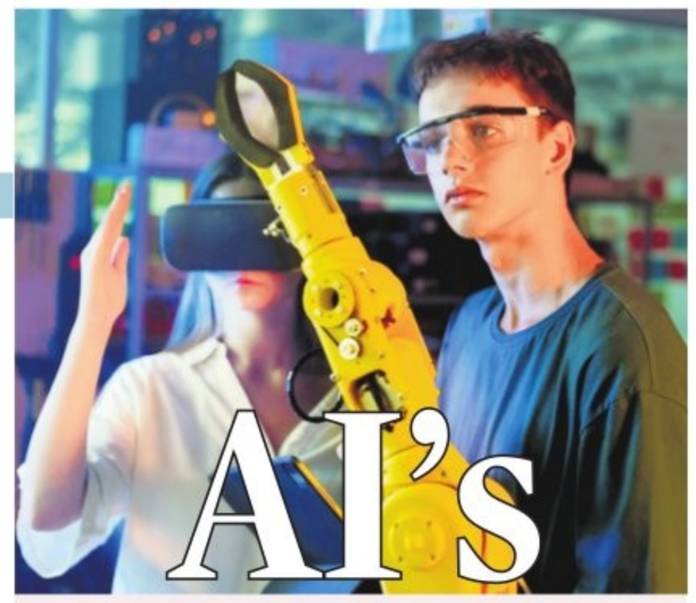
Some of important precautionary measures you can take

- Go to the browser privacy settings and disable third-party web crawlers that track you across websites; try using privacy-centric browsers, and use ad-blocking extensions
- Download apps only from official gateways like PlayStore or App Store or from trustable sources
- Limit the 'permissions' for apps; allow only necessary data for the app to function; avoid suspicious or malicious apps
- Read the user terms before logging into a new website; check what kind of data they collect
- Many social media apps have privacy features buried deep inside the settings, tap them
- Use two-factor authentication for important financial accounts. Already, banks and financial services provide OTP and other authentications. Ensure you turn on these even when it is optional
- Use secure networks. If you want additional security, try using VPN; Try using cybersecurity applications for mobile.
- Don't share children's or senior citizens' identifiable information
- Don't fall for too-good-to-be-true offers online. These are always scams masquerading as offers

Even with precautions, sometimes it is possible to fall prey to identity thefts. Here are some red flags

- Message/ mails/ calls about your credit/ debit card transaction which you didn't make
- When you stop receiving mails in your inbox or rejection of loan applications

In case you are a victim to identity theft, you can file a complaint at ***cybercrime.gov.in*** or call the helpline no. **1930**



AI's impact on Indian workforce

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

Many Indian companies have started tapping artificial intelligence (AI) to perform tasks that include customer self-service answers and actions. Compared to other countries, many Indian companies have actively deployed AI. A new research commissioned by IBM has found that early adopters are leading the way with 74% of those Indian enterprises already working with AI, having accelerated their investments in AI in the past 24 months in areas like R&D and workforce reskilling.

Interestingly, among surveyed organisations in India, AI is already having an impact on the workforce as companies make use of AI to address labour or skill shortages. About 63% say they are making use of AI to do things like reduce manual or repetitive tasks with automation tools and 56% use AI to improve recruiting and human resources.

Training or re-skilling employees have now become essential for enterprises and 51% say employees at their organisation are excited to work with new AI and automation tools.

"The increase in AI adoption and investments by Indian enterprises is a good indicator that they are already experiencing the benefits from AI. However, there is still a significant opportunity to accelerate as many businesses are hesitant to move beyond experimentation and deploy AI at scale," said Sandip Patel, managing director, IBM India & South Asia.

Data and AI governance tools are going to be critical for building AI models responsibly that enterprises can trust and confidently adopt. "Without the use of governance tools, AI can expose companies to data privacy issues, legal complications, and ethical dilemmas – cases of which we have already seen plaguing many across the world," he added.

Enterprises also face many challenges for AI adoption and that includes hiring employees with the right skill sets and ethical concerns, inhibiting businesses from adopting AI technologies into their operations.

The survey reveals that IT professionals are largely in agreement that consumers are more likely to choose services from companies with transparent and ethical AI practices. Despite understanding its importance, only a minority are taking key steps towards trustworthy AI like reducing bias, tracking data provenance, making sure they can explain the decisions of their AI models, or developing ethical AI policies.

TECHNOLOGY BUZZ

Zuckerberg surprised how bad Vision Pro headset is

Meta founder Mark Zuckerberg, who bet on virtual headsets early, has reviewed Apple's Vision Pro headset. In an Instagram post, he said, "Before this, I expected Quest would be a better value for users and also seven-times less expensive. And after (using) I don't think Quest has better value, it is a better product, period." Quest is Meta's product. Zuckerberg said while different products are designed for different purposes, Quest is better for the vast majority of things. He listed out the use cases it is designed for including socialising, working and gaming. Quest is a lot more comfortable, it has no wires, it has a wider field of view, its hand tracking is better, he asserted. Apple's Vision Pro has motion blur and its hand tracking is not so good. Unlike Quest's controllers, which could be used for gaming and typing and other tasks, Apple relying only on eye tracker is not useful, he said. He says the Quest 3 weighs 120 grams less, making it more comfortable to wear for longer

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Director, NCCS

RECRUITMENT FOR FACULTY POSITIONS

ADVERTISEMENT No: 340 /OUTR/2024, Dated. 12/02/2024

KK: Odisha University of Technology and Research (OUTR), a State Technical Unitary University under the Skill Development and Technical Education Department, Government of Odisha invites online applications for faculty positions at the level of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor from prospective Indian nationals fulfilling eligibility criteria and possessing excellent academic background, commitment to quality teaching and research in various specializations of Engineering, Architecture and Science. The details of the number of posts including required qualifications, eligibility criteria, specialization, scales of pay, reservations, link for application form and other general information are available at **www.outr.ac.in** . The applicants are required to submit online application which will be opened from **01.03.2024.** The last date for the receipt of applications is **31.03.2024** (link will be closed a**t 05 PM of 31.03.2024).** The qualifications, eligibility criteria, experience, publications and age limit etc. as on the last date of submission of application only will be considered. The authority reserves the right to reject any or all the applications or cancel the entire selection process without assigning any reason thereof.

OIPR-16005/11/0077/2324 **Sd/- Registrar**

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Short Term "E" TENDRING INVITING TENDER NOTICE

"E"- TENDERING ARE INVITED FOR Rate Contract for supply of ROTO SEAL NUMBERED/ POLY CABONATE SEAL TN-1872, G.I. STAY SET 6'X5/8" (16X1800) TN-1873, ACSR DOG CONDUCTOR TN-1874, EARTHING SET ROD TYPE TN-1875, 11/0.4 KV Dist. T/F 16 KVA TN-1876, ACSR RABBIT CONDUCTOR TN-1877, MCCB 80 Amp. For 1 Ph. Dist. T/f 16 KVA, MCCB 63 Amp. For 3 Ph. Dist. T/f 40 KVA, MCCB 40 Amp. For 3 Ph. Dist. T/f 25 KVA, MCCB 32 Amp. For 3 Ph. Dist. T/f 16/10 KVA TN-1878, 11/0.4 KV Dist. T/F 10 KVA TN-1879, INSULATED RABBIT CONDUCTOR LT TN-1880, FABRICATED STEEL ITEMS 11 KV CROSS ARM, FABRICATED STEEL ITEMS LT CROSS ARMS 2', FABRICATED STEEL ITEMS LT CROSS ARMS 4' TN-1881, CT PT Set 11 KV 50/5 0.5 class CT 15 VA PT 50 VA, CT PT Set 11 KV 20/5 0.5 class CT 15 VA PT 50 VA, CT PT Set 11 KV 15/5 0.5 class CT 15 VA PT 50 VA, CT PT Set 11 KV 10/5 0.5 class CT 15 VA PT 50 VA, CT PT Set 11 KV 5/5 0.5 class CT 15 VA PT 50 VA TN-1882, 11 KV XLPE CABLES 185 SQ MM, 11 KV XLPE CABLES 120 SQ MM, 11 KV XLPE CABLES 70 SQ MM TN-1883, HT TYPE METER BOXES IRON, MIP TYPE METER BOXES IRON TN-1884, 11 KV HORN GAP FUSES H/W With PI TN-1885, 11 KV DISC INSULATOR (B&S) 45 KN (Polymer Type) TN-1886, THIRD PARTY INSPECTION CRC TN-1887, M.S. NUT & BOLTS 1.5"X5/8", M.S. NUT & BOLTS 2.5"X5/8", M.S. NUT & BOLTS 4"X5/8", M.S. NUT & BOLTS 6"X5/8", M.S. NUT & BOLTS 8"X5/8", M.S. NUT & BOLTS 10"X5/8", M.S. NUT & BOLTS 12"X5/8" TN-1888, CRC REPAIR OF POWER TRANSFORMER TN-1889, 11 KV DISC INSULATOR (B&S) 45 KN (Porcelain Type) TN-1890, LT PVC ARMOURED CABLE 2 C X 4 SQ MM TN-1891, 33 KV GI PIN TN-1892, 11/0.4 KV DIST. T/F 40 KVA TN-1893, 11/0.4 KV DIST. T/F 500 KVA TN-1894, 33 KV PIN INSULATOR Porcelain Type TN-1895, H/W FOR B&S DISC INSULATOR 45 KN TN-1896, LT A.B. CABLE 1CX25+25 Sq. MM TN-1897, G.I. EARTH WIRE 6SWG/5 MM TN-1898, 33/11 KV POWER T/F 5.0 MVA TN-1899, PCC Poles 9 Meter long 200 Kg TN-1900, STRAIN INSULATORS 33 KV Porcelain Type, STRAIN INSULATORS 11 KV Porcelain Type TN-1901, H/W FOR T&C DISC INSULATORS 45 KN TN-1902, 11/0.4 KV DIST. T/F 63 KVA TN-1903, 33 KV VCB 1250 CIRCUIT BREAKERS TN-1904, ISOLATING SWITCHES 33KV/800 A W/O EB, ISOLATING SWITCHES 11KV/400 A W/O EB TN-1905, EMD and date of uploading /opening of tender and G.C.C. etc WILL be available at web site WWW.AVVNL.COM & HTTP://EPROC.RAJASTHAN.GOV.IN.

Raj.Samwad/C/23/13096 **Superintending Engineer (MM)**

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE THAT **Mrs. VARRA JAYANTHI KUMARA,** Aged about 47 years, Residing at No.68-2-3, S-3, Hari Sadana Apartment, Mallesh Palaya Main Road, Bangalore she is the absolute owner of the Property bearing S-3, SF, Apartment Known as HAARISADAN, measuring 999 Sq.ft along with 308 Sq.ft UDS on Site No.3 & 4, at Viputhipura Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East by Site No.2, West by Site No. 2, North by Private property, South By Road. My client intended to mortgage said property. She lost the Original sale deed bearing vide No.22712/2003-04, registered in Bangalore South Taluk while travelling and she lodged the Police Complaint dtd 12.12.2024, No.0928603/2024

Any Person/Firm/ institution/Company having any claim or right in respect of the said property by way of sale agreement, Mortgage, lease, lien, gift possession, legal heirs partners or any kind of encumbrance whomsoever or otherwise is hereby required to intimate in writing to under signed within Seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice of his/her/their share of Claim, if any with all supporting documents failing which the transaction shall be completed without reference to such claim and the claims, if any, of such person shall be treated as waived and not binding on our clients. And if anyone found the same kindly contact the below address.

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Office address # 76, 1st Floor, 10th Cross, Coconut Avenue Road, Malleshwara, Bengaluru.
Phone +91 8050467298 / 9886279065

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No.: SEE/TR(M)/RMGC/AEE(C)/2023-24/4412-15 Date: 14.02.2024

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION
(THROUGH KARNATAKA PUBLIC PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)

KPTCL invites bids from eligible bidders through "KPP" Portal to execute 03 No's of civil works under the jurisdiction of the Superintending Engineer (Ele.), Transmission (Maint), Ramanagara Circle, KPTCL, Bengaluru.

The detailed tender notification regarding details of work, general conditions of contract, NIT, Instructions to Tenderers (ITT), EMD, SD, etc., can be obtained by website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in or https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink 'E Procurement KPTCL' **on or after 21.02.2024.** Any other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Ele.), Transmission (M),
RMGC, KPTCL, Opp R.R. Nagar Metro Station, Pantharapalya, Mysuru Road, Bengaluru - 560039 Ph: 080-29620155

Government of Karnataka
(Forest Department)
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHILDREN PARK CUM MINI ZOO, KALABURAGI,
OFFICE PHONE NO. 08472 -256601 email:dcf_tgulbarga@yahoo.co.in

No. A7/ZOO/CIVIL WORK/E-Tender/ /2023-24 Date : 14-02-2024

:: Call-3 SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION ::

1) Detail of work : Construction of Crocodile_Ghariyal Enclosure in Zoo Area at New Zoological Park Madbool Mini Zoo, Kalaburagi, 2) Budget Head: **ZAK**, 3) Amount of Estimate: **Mini (In Lakhs) : 80.00, Max (in lakhs) 80.00,** 4) Eligibility of Contractor /firm: As per tender documents, 5) Details of Tender application Amount and EMD Amount : Tender Fee & EMD As per Tender Document, 6) Last Date & Time for Tender Queries/ Clarifications : **19.02.2024 up to 4.00 PM**, 7) Last Date & Time for Receipt of Tender : **20.02.2024 up to 4.30 PM**, 8) Date & Time for opening of Technical Bid : **21.02.2024 after 5.00 PM**, 9) Date & Time for Opening of Financial Bid : **22.02.2024 after 5.30 PM**, 9) Add. Information: DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHILDREN PARK CUM MINI ZOO, KALABURAGI, 10) Address of E- Portal : **http:kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Deputy Conservator of Forests & Executive Director of Children Park Cum Mini Zoo, Kalaburagi

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No. A7/ZOO/CIVILWORK/E-Tender/ /2023-24 Date: 14.02.2024

:: SHORT TENDER NOTIFICATION ::

1) Detail of works : 1. Construction of Administrative block, in Zoo Area at New Zoological Park Madbool Mini Zoo, Kalaburagi, Indent No. : **ZAK/ 2023-24/OW/WORK INDENT42,** 2. Construction of Sloath bear Enclosures in Zoo Area at New Zoological Park Madbool Mini Zoo, Kalaburagi, Indent No. : **ZAK/ 2023-24/OW/WORK INDENT45,** 3. Construction of Tiger, Enclosures in Zoo Area at New Zoological Park Madbool Mini Zoo, Kalaburagi, Indent No. : **ZAK/ 2023-24/OW/WORK INDENT44,** 4. Construction of Lion, Enclosures in Zoo Area at New Zoological Park Madbool Mini Zoo, Kalaburagi, Indent No. : **ZAK/ 2023-24/OW/WORK INDENT43,** 2) Tender Amount : **Min. Rs. 86.58 lakhs, Max. Rs. 117.50 Lakhs,** 3) Budget Head : **KKRDB (Macro)**, 4) Eligibility of Contractor /firm : As per tender documents 5) Details of Tender application Amount and EMD Amount: Tender Fee & EMD As per Tender Document, 6) Last Date & Time for Tender Queries/ Clarifications : **19.02.2024 up to 4.00 PM,** 7) Last Date & Time for Receipt of Tender : **22.02.2024 up to 5.00 PM**, 8) Date &Time for opening of Technical Bid : **23.02.2024 after 5.30 PM**, 9) Date & Time for Opening of Financial Bid : **26.02.2024 after 4.00 PM**, 10) Add. Information: DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CHILDREN PARK CUM MINI ZOO, KALABURAGI,11) Address of E- Portal :**http:kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

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IN THE COURT OF THE CHIEF JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE: BENGALURU RURAL DIST. AT BENGALURU
C. Misc. No.1223/2023

Between: MANJULA, D/o. Venkataswamaiah, Grand Daughter of Aibayya, Aged about 30 years, R/at. No. 737, Govindappa Building, Balajinagar, Hebbagodi, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru-560 099. ...Petitioner.

And: The Tahsildhar, Registrar of Birth & Deaths Bengaluru South Tq. ...Respondent.

PAPER PUBLICATION/PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above Petitioner has filed the Petition for issue of Death Certificate of deceased who is the First Grand Mother to the Petitioner named Smt. MUNIYAMMA, W/o. Late. Abbaiyya, as he died on 10.06.1950 at Doddathoguru Village, Bengaluru South Taluk, the same is required for documentation purpose.

Any person interest in this matter, may appear before the above court at **11.00 a.m. on 14.03.2024** to which date the case is posted for hearing before the Hon'ble C.J.M. Bengaluru Rural Dist, Bengaluru.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Court this the day of 15/2/2024

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Sheristedar
Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate
Bangalore Rural District Bangalore

Advocate for Petitioner:
R. PAPAIAH REDDY. Advocate,
No.451, Gurusaja Layout, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Doddanekkundi

SBI

Rajajinagar Branch (40197), 1st Block, 14th Cross, 12th Main, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010.
Phone No. : 080 23320440, Email: sbi.40197@sbi.co.in

NOTICE

Following Locker Holders are hereby notified that their repsective lockers will be break open on **05.03.2024** as per the laid down procedure of the bank, if they fail to pay the rental dues by **04.03.2024.**

Sl No.	SDV NO	Locker Hirer Name	Locker No	Rent Overdue
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2	70402179615	DEEPALI KNM	31	Rs.20,768.00
3	70402180053	SRIDHAR & SOUMITHRE P P S	86	Rs.22,232.00
4	70402180166	M S VATCHALA	95	Rs.6,608.00
5	70402180610	RUDRAMUNI H S	157	Rs.22,232.00
6	70402182095	ANUPUMA VENKATESH	183	Rs.22,023.00

Place : Bangalore
Date : 15.02.2024 **Branch Manager**

STATE BANK OF INDIA
RACPC Shankarapuram, (064063)
 # 13/1, 3rd Floor, Bull Temple Road, Opp. Sir Ramakrishna Mutt, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004.

DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT ')

A notice is hereby given that the following Borrowers **1) Mrs. Bhagya Thopaiah, 2) Yadugiri .H** have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loan accounts have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them and guarantors under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned unserved and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

Name and Address of the Borrower's & Guarantors : **1) Mrs. Bhagya Thopaiah** D/o. Mr. Thopaiah, **2) Yadugiri .H** S/o. Mr. Hanumanthaiah, Both are residing at : No. 34, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main, Ullala Upanagar, Bengaluru-560056.

1) Account No's. : 31550089414/33123434479 **File No. 40199/HL/MICON/2023-2024/92**
Demand Notice: 05.02.2024 **NPA Date : 01.02.2024**

Amount outstanding (As on the date of notice) : Rs. 11,38,550.50/- (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty and Fifty Paise only) as on 05.02.2024, with interest from 06.02.2024 at contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.,

Description of the Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of Residential property No. 125, Katha No. 39, in Sy. No. 199, at Ullalu Upanagara, Bangalore. Measuring East to West 37 ft. and North to South 24 ft. and bounded on the : East by : Road, **West by :** Basavaraj, **North by :** Manjula, **South by :** Lakshmi.

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrower /Guarantors/mortgagors are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act, 2002.

The borrowers/guarantors/ mortgagors attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 05.02.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, State Bank of India**
Place : Bengaluru **RACPC Shankarapuram Branch, Bengaluru.**